WEATHER.

Cloudy and much colder Friday, probably rain or snow east portions; Saturday cloudy, continued cold.

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GERMANY'S RUTHLESS SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN WAGED IN DEFIANCE OF WARNING OF THE UNITED STATES

Is Generally Believed American Ships Have Escaped Only by Not Plying the Seas

CALIFORNIA CASE PENDING

Preliminary Reports Indicate a Technical Violation of This Country's Rights

NAVY AND MILITARY ACTIVE

All Departments Continue to Make Preparations for War

Washington, Feb. 8—The American government still is without official evidence of an overt act by Germany considered necessary to justify President Wilson in going before Congress for authority to use necessary means to protect American seamen and people.

There no longer is any doubt that the ruthless submarine campaign is in full swing in defiance of the warning of the United States. Everywhere it is believed that if no American ship has been destroyed, it is because American ships are lying idle in their harbors instead of plying their usual trade; if no American life has been lost, it is due entirely to chance.

California Case Unsettled.

It also is generally conceded that on the basis of preliminary reports, the torpedoing without warning of the passenger liner California with an American on board, makes out a clear-cut case of technical violation of the rights of the United States.

President Wilson, however, is represented as determined not to plunge the country into war on a technicality. When he moves it will be on complete evidence of an outrage about which there can be no question. Then he expects to have the American people and Congress behind him.

Unofficial dispatches today told of the killing of an American negro sailor named George Washington, in the sinking of the British steamer Turino. Few details were given and the State Department tonight had heard nothing officially.

Preparations for War Continue.

To get in personal touch with all steps taken to prepare the country for whatever may come the President left the White House this afternoon and made another quick round of the State, War and Navy departments, visiting Secretaries Lansing, Baker and Daniels. It was stated that he will continue this practice almost every day.

When he returned to the White House it was stated officially that information on all the torpedoed vessels involving Americans was being gathered as rapidly as possible, but that up to that time there had been no change in the situation.

Uneasiness Over Gerard's Delay.

Additional cause for uneasiness was given the government in the receipt of information regarded as confirming reports that Ambassador Gerard and American consuls in Germany virtually are being detained in Germany because of uncertainty in Berlin over the plans for Ambassador Bernstorff, and as a result of reports that German ships in American harbors had been seized. It is not understood that there has been any formal action in this connection, the German government merely delaying arrangements for the departure of the Americans.

Word was received from Great Britain and France during the day that safe conducts for German diplomats in this country would be arranged. This as well as the fact that German ships here have not been seized was communicated to the Berlin government, and no further difficulty is expected.

Neutrals to Protest.

From several neutral nations came information that while they would not break diplomatic relations with Germany they had or would send protests which would align them against the new campaign of ruthlessness. Again there were some suggestions of a combination of neutral nations either to prevent trouble between the United States and Germany or to make clear neutral rights, but no definite plans were made public.

In line with his general policy in the crisis, the President authorized the statement that even in case of war, bank deposits and other property of foreigners in the United States would be safeguarded and not seized.

May Isolate England

In taking stock of a whole new world situation precipitated by the German pronouncement of February 1, official Washington looks upon the German action as having forced the severance of relations and brought this country on the verge of war, as having left 1,000,000 prisoners for whom this country was caring in a serious situation; and as having brought down on Germany the moral indignation of

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Liner California Sank In Nine Minutes With Loss of 41 Lives

"S. O. S." Calls Brought Help Promptly After Vessel Was Torpedoed—Was Only One American Aboard and He Was Saved. Ship's Gun Trained on U-Boat When Torpedoed.

London, Feb. 8.—The British passenger steamer California, of the Anchor Line, bound from New York for Glasgow, was torpedoed at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning off the Irish coast and sank in nine minutes, with the loss of 41 lives. The stricken ship was able to send out "S. O. S." calls and help arrived promptly. Nevertheless, five persons were killed by the explosion and 36 were drowned in the launching of the life boats.

The news of the sinking of the California reached London yesterday afternoon before the survivors had landed, but publication was not permitted till more than 24 hours later.

Carried One Gun

The California was an armed liner, carrying a single 4.7-inch gun mounted on the stern. The gunner was just training the weapon on the spot where oil bubbles had revealed the presence of the underwater enemy when a torpedo struck the port side with an explosion so violent that most of the people aboard were thrown off their feet, five being killed and many injured.

The submarine fired a second torpedo, in an apparent effort to accelerate the sinking, but the second shot missed, although both torpedoes were fired from a distance of less than 300 yards.

There was only one American aboard the California and he is among the survivors.

Captain Henderson, commander of the California, declares that the conduct of the passengers and crew was exemplary. There had been careful drills on the ship on the way across, and every person aboard had been assigned a place in a lifeboat provided with a life belt. But, despite the coolness of the passengers and the seamanship of the crew, the successful launching of the boats was made impossible by the shortness of the time between the torpedoing of the vessel and her disappearance beneath the waves, which did not permit waiting until the ship had lost headway.

Passengers Had to Jump

While the boats were being lowered from the sloping decks, the California continued to move forward, lurching like a drunken man, and the roar of the water rushing through the gaping wound in her side could be heard above the shouts of officers and men. In a number of cases it was necessary for the passengers to jump into the boats after they were in the water, and

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GERARD STILL AT GERMAN CAPITAL

Berlin Semi-Official Dispatch Says Date of His Departure Has Not Yet Been Fixed

IS HE HELD AS HOSTAGE?

There Has Been No Denial of Reports That He Was Being Detained Until Germany Is Satisfied With Bernstorff's Treatment.

Washington, Feb. 8.—James W. Gerard, retiring American ambassador to Germany, is still in Berlin. A semi-official communication says the date of his departure "has not yet been fixed." There has been no denial by Berlin of the announcement in Copenhagen last Tuesday that Mr. Gerard would not be allowed to leave Berlin until the German government was satisfied as to the treatment by the American government of Count von Bernstorff, the retiring German ambassador at Washington.

BERLIN ANNOUNCES "DATE HAS NOT YET BEEN FIXED."

Berlin, Feb. 7 (via Sayville, Feb. 8.)—The date of the departure of Ambassador Gerard has not yet been fixed. The German authorities are making every endeavor to assure him and members of the American embassy of all possible facilities for forwarding private telegrams. No serious concern is felt here as to the safe departure of German officials in the United States. This information is contained in an announcement made public today by the Overseas News Agency, which follows:

"The date of the departure of the American ambassador has not yet been fixed. The number of persons for whom passports must be secured will be rather large and therefore this work will require some time. Every endeavor is being made to assure the ambassador and the personnel of the embassy all possible facilities for private telegrams.

"While the American residents accept loyally the decision of their government, many of them regret the breaking off of relations with Germany without provocation. A number of

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WARNED TO TURN BACK BY U-BOAT

Message From Passenger Says Liner Ryndam Was About to Enter the "War Zone"

NO WORD TO SHIP'S AGENTS

No Decision Regarding Sailing of St. Louis and St. Paul—Four British Ships Leave Newport News, Va., For European Ports.

New York, Feb. 8.—The Holland-America Line steamship Ryndam, which sailed from New York for Rotterdam January 29, with the American consular agent at Luxemburg and nearly a hundred other cabin passengers, and which was reported last night to be returning to this port, was warned by a German submarine to turn back when about to enter the "war zone," according to unofficial advices received here today.

A wireless message from a passenger on board the Ryndam contained this information, it was stated by a person closely connected with the steamship service here. The Ryndam was on her way to Rotterdam by way of Falmouth and was within 14 hours steaming of the latter port when she swung around for the return trip to American waters.

At the office of the Holland-America Line it was said no word of the steamer or the reason for her return had been received, other than a cable message from Rotterdam announcing her turning back to New York. The message conveyed the impression, the officials said, that the master of the ship had taken the action on his own initiative and had so advised his owners by wireless.

This action by the captain, the officials added, was clearly within his rights as full responsibility for the safety of the ship and passengers devolved on him while at sea, and he would be expected to take any necessary precautions.

The Ryndam is in command of Lieutenant-Commander W. Krol, of the Holland naval reserves. The ship is expected to reach New York Saturday or Sunday unless she is compelled to put into Halifax or Bermuda for coal.

P. A. S. Franklin, president of the International Mercantile Marine Co., announced late today that no decision had been reached regarding the sailing of the American Line steamships St. Louis and St. Paul. Mr. Franklin declared there was nothing to add to his statement of yesterday that the sailings of the vessels had been indefinitely postponed.

Reports that preparations were under way to arm the two vessels were denied at the office of the line, as were rumors that the government would be asked to relieve the line of its mail contract. A number of applications from discharged naval and army gunners for positions on the vessels were received today. None of the applications was accepted, it was said.

FOUR BRITISH STEAMERS SAIL FROM NEWPORT NEWS

Newport News, Va., Feb. 8.—Four British steamers, one of them the Ruahine with 177 passengers lefe there this afternoon for the European war zone.

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SHIPS SUNK YESTERDAY

Enemy and neutral ships aggregating 21,505 tons, were sunk by German submarines during 24 hours ending last night. Ten vessels in all were sent to the bottom during this period, six of them British steamers of an aggregate tonnage of 16,786. The British ships reported as sunk are:

Turino, 2,702 tons, one American negro killed.

Dauntless, 2,157 tons, two of the crew dead.

Hollinside, 2,682 tons.

Boyne Castle, 245 tons.

Vedamore, 4,122 tons, crew landed.

Saxonian, tank steamer.

Other ships:

Varing (Swedish), 2,296 tons.

Songely (Norwegian), 2,063 tons.

Yvonne (French), trawler.

Bangpuhtis (Russian), schooner.

SWEDEN DECLINES TO FOLLOW LEAD OF THIS COUNTRY

Rejects President Wilson's Suggestion That Relations With Germany be Broken

TO RETAIN NEUTRAL POLICY

Note Says Step Taken by the United States is Contrary to Swedish Principles

Stockholm, via London, Feb. 8.—The Swedish government rejects President Wilson's suggestion that other neutral countries join with the United States in severing diplomatic relations with Germany, and declares its intention to follow the strictest neutrality as long as it is possible. Sweden's reply was delivered to the American minister today.

"The government of the United States has chosen as a means of arriving at the realization of peace a method absolutely contrary to the principles which have guided the policy of the Swedish government up to the present hour."

So declares the Swedish note, which the minister of foreign affairs, K. A. Wallenberg, delivered to the American minister, Ira Nelson Morris, in reply to President Wilson's invitation to Sweden to join with the United States, which Mr. Morris communicated to the Swedish government on Monday. The text of the note follows:

"The policy followed by the royal government during the war has been one of strictly impartial neutrality. The royal government has done everything in its power faithfully to fulfill all the duties which this policy imposes upon it, and at the same time it has rendered effective as far as possible the rights derived therefrom.

"With a view to obtaining a practical result in upholding the principles of international law, the royal government has several times addressed itself to neutral powers in order to effect co-operation, with the aforesaid object in view. Above all, the royal government has not failed to submit to the government of the United States a proposal to this effect."

PANAMA TO CO-OPERATE WITH THE UNITED STATES

Panama, Feb. 8.—The Panama foreign office has replied to President Wilson's note suggesting that all neutrals sever diplomatic relations with Germany. It endorses the stand taken by the President and offers to co-operate.

William J. Price, the American ambassador, has received numerous offers from Panamaians to enlist in the United States forces.

BILL FOR STATE AUDIT OF COUNTIES' BOOKS PASSES 2ND READING IN SENATE

Cranmer and Others Fail to Get Their Counties Exempted—House Spends Hours in Warm Debate on School Board Bill, Which Finally Goes Over to Today—Ten-Juror Bill Defeated. Kelly Game Bill Deferred to Next Tuesday.

(BY W. J. MARTIN.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 8.—By a vote of 37 to 11, the Senate passed on second reading the Warren bill prescribing that the Corporation Commission shall have the books and accounts of all county officers audited at least once each year and devise and assist in installing a uniform system of accounting for all the counties. There are to be an examiner at $2,500 and assistant examiner at $2,000 under the direction of the commission.

The bill would have passed final reading but for objection persisted in by Senator McCoin under which it was allowed to go over to tomorrow without voting over the protest of any opponent. The Senate refused to exempt any counties, turning deaf ears to pleadings of Cranmer to exempt New Hanover and Brunswick, Senator Gough to exempt Robeson; McCoin to exempt Vance and Warren and others.

The House of Representatives devoted the most of the session today to spirited argument on the issue of election of county boards of education by the people in the various counties and still no vote was reached, the special order being carried over unfinished to Friday when the House opens at 10 o'clock. Representative Page and Representative Beasley were the principal advocates of the Page bill to give counties the right to elect on majority petition. The Oates bill for primary nominations and restricted minority party representation was displaced to give the right of way to the Page bill in the argument today. If the Page bill is defeated, as it is most generally expected it will be, there will be a vote without much argument on the Oates bill, most probably immediately thereafter. Both are under unfavorable committee report and expectation is that the Legislature will stand pat this time on the issue.

New Bills Introduced.

McLendon, of Durham, introduced in the House this afternoon a bill to annex to Durham county a section of Williams township, Chatham county, six by five miles. The Durham county authorities are pushing the matter.

New bills in Senate:

Holderness—Authorize the conveyance of a certain piece of land by the aldermen of Tarboro to the Presbyterian church of that place, (put through immediate passage.)

Jones—Amend the law relative to the abandonment of crops by tenants.

Cranmer—Prevent election frauds in Brunswick.

Davenport—Require fertilizer manufacturers to use lime as a filler for all fertilizers sold in North Carolina.

Linn—Protect property of the State and the inmates of State institutions.

Cranmer at the Bat.

When the special order bill was reached, that to authorize the Corporation Commission to have the books of each county in the State audited, an amendment was offered by Senator Cranmer to except New Hanover and Brunswick counties and Senator Turner objected to excepting any county, as the bill would assure a uniform system of accounting and must be State-wide to be most effective.

Senator Cranmer insisted on his amendment, insisting that his counties could keep pace with other counties of the State with their own supervision of their financial affairs.

Senator Gough wanted Robeson county exempted. Senator Scales thought the bill would save many thousands of dollars for the counties and for the State.

Oates Offers Amendment.

Senator Oates offered an amendment to provide that the examinations should apply only to matters in which the State has particular financial interest. He opposed the section that would allow the examiners to over-ride and supervise the work of the county commissioners. Senator Brenizer took issue with Senator Oates, the object of the bill being to help the commissioners see that they are getting their money's worth. Senator Oates came back with the assertion that the provisions of the section constituted unwarranted interference with purely local affairs.

This brought from Senator Jones the observation that Senator Oates, arch opponent of election of school boards by the counties, had been suddenly converted to local self-government, at least in this respect. Surely, he had, like Saul of Tarsus, "seen a great light."

The Oates amendment was rejected and the bill went on second reading by roll call, after the president of the Senate had been unable to determine the first vote called. The roll call was 37 to 11 for the bill and it went over on objection by Senator McCoin.

Burnett Bill Defeated.

The Burnett bill to authorize verdicts in civil cases where ten of the jurors agreed came up. Senator Jones doubted the constitutionality of the bill. Senator Person opposed strenuously the vote being finally reached. It was overwhelmingly defeated.

The Kelly game bill which passed second reading early in the week was brought up as a special order and deferred to next Tuesday.

Passed Final Reading

Bills passed final reading as follows: Amend the charter of Thomasville; Repeal the charter of New Hill; Amend the law as to penalties sued for when registers of deeds issue marriage licenses obtained by fraud; Amend the law as to the Mount Olive graded school district; Authorize a survey of the town of Swansboro; Amend the law as to the Union county courts; Amend the charter of Freemont; Abolish the Pasquotank chain gang; Amend the law as to the use of profane language in Brunswick; Reorganize the State Board of Charities and give it enlarged duties in public welfare and uplift work; Amend the law as to the examination of the offices of the clerks or courts and solicitors.

The Senate took recess to 10 o'clock Friday morning.

New Bills in House.

New bills were introduced as follows in the House:

McLendon—Change the boundary between Durham and Chatham counties.

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U-BOATS IN THREE DAYS SANK 80,000 TONS OF SHIPPING

At That Rate It Would Take Just Four Years to Destroy All the World's Ships

ABOUT MILLION TONS MONTH

Shipbuilders in Allied and Neutral Countries Are Rushing Work on New Vessels

Washington, Feb. 8.—Germany's ruthless submarine warfare, continued with the success of the last three days, would destroy within a short time a great part of the world's merchant tonnage. Officials here estimated today on records for the three days since the expiration of the time allowed in the German proclamation for ships at sea on February 1 to get into port that vessels were being sunk at the rate of nearly a million tons a month, the amount German naval authorities set as necessary to starve the British Isles.

At that rate it would take just four years to destroy the tonnage of the entire world—48,000,000 tons—if all the world's ships ventured into the war zone.

Lloyds' report puts the tonnage sunk February 5, 6 and 7 at about 35,000 tons.

The world turned out in 1916 less than two million tonnage of merchant vessels. During the year the Germans sank a trifle more than that, making the net loss in world's shipping about one and one-half per cent.

Ship manufacturers in all the allied and neutral countries are rushing work on merchant ships. Vessels have been standardized and it is almost impossible to have made anywhere a ship of special construction. The British government is having built great steel cargo ships, all alike, and of the simplest construction. The yards are busy night and day on their construction and as they are off the ways keels will be laid for more.

There are no figures to show the amount of tonnage constantly on the seas carrying goods to and from the British Isles. United States customs reports show that about a million and a half tons clear from American ports every month, but as some vessels clear twice the figures are misleading. About the same amount of tonnage arrives monthly from European ports.

Of the 48,000,000 tons of merchant ships in the world Great Britain owns about 20,000,000 tons. The United is second with a little more than 6,000,000 tons, of which 2,000,000 tons is in lake and river trade. In American ports there are 95 German merchant vessels of 600,000 tonnage which put in for haven at the outbreak of the war.

FIVE VESSELS LEAVE FOR PORTS VIA THE WAR ZONE

Norfolk, Feb. 8.—Five vessels, bound for ports in the European war zone, cleared Cape Henry today and tonight. They are: The British steamer Borderer, with a cargo of sugar for Queenstown, consigned to order; British steamer Trinculo, with a cargo of oil from Port Arthur, Texas, for Avonmouth for orders; the Danish steamer Nordkap, with a general cargo from New Orleans to Genoa; Exmouth, British, with a general cargo, for Liverpool, and the British steamer Penlee, with a cargo of wheat from New Orleans for Avonmouth for orders. All took on bunker coal at the Norfolk piers.

OVER SCORE OF BRITISH SHIPS TO BE CONVOYED

Newport News, Va., Feb. 8.—More than a score of British steamers, most of which have left Hampton Roads during the last few days, are assembled near the Virginia Capes and will be convoyed to England by a British warships, it was learned here tonight from reliable sources. Reports to this effect have been current in maritime circles for the past two days but were not given credence until tonight.

British Vice Consul C. E. Kenworthy declined to discuss the matter. All these steamers are laden with munitions, most of which are said to be consigned to the British admiralty. The merchant fleet and its convoy are due to get away tomorrow afternoon or the following morning.

WIRES CUT AND BRIDGES BURNED SOUTH OF JUAREZ

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 8.—Telegraph wires have been cut and bridges burned along the line of the Mexico Northwestern Railway, south of Juarez, it was learned tonight. The damage is said to have been done by Villa followers. Government authorities do not credit the report that Villa is coming towards Juarez and say they have reason to believe he is trying to work his way south of Chihuahua City into Durango.

The Sixth United States infantry arrive here from Columbus, N. M., in motor trucks today.

WILL RELEASE PLAYERS WHO WANT TO ENLIST IN THE ARMY

Chicago, Feb. 8.—Baseball players in the American League who desire to enlist for military service in the event of the United States becoming involved in war would be granted their immediate release and their positions held open, President Johnson, of the American League, announced tonight. He added the league would look to the welfare of the dependents of such players.

WORK TO BE RUSHED ON NEW WAR VESSELS

Three Shipbuilding Plants to Speed Up Construction

"We Are Just Waiting For Word to Go" Says One Official After President's Visit to War and Navy Departments.

Washington, Feb. 8.—Construction work on warships building at the plants of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Drydock Company, the Fore River Shipbuilding Company and Electric Boat Company will be speeded up to the limit of those plants. Work on two super-dreadnaughts building at the Newport News yard is proceeding under doubled crews at the suggestions of Secretary Daniels and today the secretary accepted the proposal of the other two plants to similarly hasten work on the war vessels they are building.

At the Newport News plant it is estimated that the battleship Mississippi, recently launched, can be completed by midsummer instead of January 1, 1918, as called for in the contract. The keel of one of the four new battleships recently contracted for will be laid on the slip vacated by the Mississippi instead of a merchant vessel as had been intended.

Representatives of the Fore River and Electric Boat companies called on Mr. Daniels today, offering to rush work on destroyers and submarines, for which they would set aside private work. They were told to go ahead at full speed. The plan is to get the vessels launched as soon as possible freeing stocks for the new set of destroyers and submarines to be authorized in the pending navy bill.

Mr. Wilson called again today on

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GERMANY WANTS OLD TREATIES REAFFIRMED

Foreign Office Makes Request of Ambassador Gerard

He Refers German Officials to Spanish and Swiss Intermediaries— Is Important to Americans In Germany

Berlin, Feb. 8. (via London)—The German foreign office last night asked James W. Gerard, the American ambassador, to sign a proposal reaffirming the treaties of 1799 and 1828. The ambassador referred the government officials to Spanish and Swiss intermediaries.

The treaties have reference to the rights of nationals residing as merchants in either country to continue their residence there for nine months for the purpose of closing up their business.

Mr. Gerard explained to Count Montgelas, head of the American section of the foreign office, who presented the proposition to him, that he was no longer in a position to negotiate any diplomatic instrument, Spain having taken over American interests in Germany. He suggested that a way open for negotiations was through the Swiss legation, which is representing German interests in Washington.

The matter is of decided importance to Americans in Germany, since the German government's course towards them, particularly on the question of permissions to leave the country, will be materially affected by the American government's view on these old treaties between Prussia and the United States.

WILL NOT INFRINGE ON RIGHTS OF FOREIGNERS

Government to Seize No Bank Deposits or Property

War-Bound Vessels in American Ports to Remain Intact, Even in the Event of War—State Department's Statement

Washington, Feb. 8.—A formal statement giving assurances that the government has no intention of seizing bank deposits or other property belonging to any foreign subject, even in the event of war, was issued by the State Department today with the approval of President Wilson.

The statement was prompted by the anxiety of German subjects in some sections regarding savings deposits and by the many reports in circulation regarding the intention of the government concerning war-bound vessels in American ports. It makes no specific reference to the Prussian-American treaty of 1828, which provides for the immunity of such property but which has been regarded as of doubtful validity.

The decision is understood to be in furtherance of President Wilson's determination that there shall be nothing in the conduct of the United States to warrant criticism, rather than indicative of any specific inclination to acknowledge the validity of disputed provisions of the old treaty.

Officials did not comment on a press dispatch from Berlin saying Ambassador Gerard had been asked to secure a re-ratification of the treaty, but previously they had indicated that such a suggestion would find no response here under present conditions.

The department's statement follows:

"It having been reported to him that there is anxiety in some quarters on

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LITTLE HOPE FOR COMPENSATION LAW

Joint Committee Gives Hearing and Announces Final Public Hearing Next Week

STOCK LAW BILL IS KILLED

Senate Committee Reports Favorably on Bill to Regulate Rates for Legal Advertising—"Cord Wood" Bill Killed.

(By W. J. MARTIN).

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 8—The joint committee having under consideration the Jones and the Brenizer bills for workmen's compensation gave another hearing this afternoon, at the close of which there was announcement that there will be a final public hearing early next week after which the committee will definitely pass on the bills. There is little prospect of even favorable report from committee and none of getting the measure through.

The work is now admitted by advocates to be purely educational. Senator Brenizer in advocating this workmen's compensation bill, which has the endorsement of the State Department of Insurance and is semi-elective in its provisions, proposed that it be amended to make it wholly elective and he predicted that if it were passed that way large numbers of laborers and employers would take advantage of it within two years and within four years there would be a general influx of those it is designed to benefit, employers and employes.

There were numbers of speakers this afternoon for and against both the Brenizer and the Jones bills. Senator Jones told the committee there would be a big delegation of manufacturers from his section of the State next week to be heard.

"State-Wide" Stock Law Dead

House committee on propositions and grievances, after a hearing tonight at which numbers of citizens of Eastern Carolina were present, voted unanimously for unfavorable report for the bill of Representative Griffin, of Chowan, for putting the whole of Eastern Carolina under stock law except points cut off from main land by water. Griffin himself voted for unfavorable report after hearing arguments against his bill.

The joint committee on counties, cities and towns gave unfavorable report this evening on the bill to remove the county seat of Rutherford county from Rutherfordton to Forest City. Judge Justice and James Carson were the principal speakers against removal and those for removal were Mr. Alexander, of Forest City, and Col. Sol Gallert, who appeared as attorneey, admitting that personally he opposed removal.

Judiciary committee No. 2 of the House reported unfavorably the Ellis Gardner cord wood bill that would require railroad companies in receiving for cord wood freight to specify the cubic content of the shipment. There was such general opposition by railroad and other intehests developed at the hearing that Mr. Gardner moved unfavorable report of his own bill, insisting, however, that it is meritorious.

Legal Advertising

Judiciary committee No. 2 of the Senate agreed unanimously this afternoon on a favorable report for the bill of the Afternoon Newspaper Association to regulate and increase charges for legal advertising. The bill had favorable report from the committee on printing some time ago, went to the floor of the Senate under this and go re-reference to the judiciary. Promoters of the bill are now confident of its passage.

GERARD STILL AT GERMAN CAPITAL

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Americans ,among whom are several newspaper correspondents, have decided to stay in Germany until further developments.

"Concerning Count von Bernstorff's departure from the United States up to the present no official communication has been received for several days. All connection with the ambassador is completely severed and reliance has to be placed on all sorts of news coming from the enemy, which cannot be examined into as to its reliability. Nevertheless, no serious concern is felt regarding the safe departure of German officials in the United States, it being considered that the United States will not depart from the basis of the law of nations, especially in view of the treaty of 1829."

GIRLS! GIRLS! TRY IT! STOP DANDRUFF AND BEAUTIFY YOUR HAIR

Hair Stops Falling Out and Gets Thick, Wavy, Strong and Beautiful.

Your hair becomes light, wavy, fluffy, abundant and appears as soft, lustrous and beautiful as a young girl's after a "Danderine hair cleanse." Just try this—moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. This will cleanse the hair of dust, dirt and excessive oil and in just a few moments you have doubled the beauty of your hair.

Besides beautifying the hair at once, Danderine dissolves every particle of dandruff; cleanses, purifies and invigorates the scalp, forever stopping itching and falling hair.

But what will please you most will be after a few weeks' use when you will actually see new hair—fine and downy at first—yes—but really new hair growing all over the scalp. If you care for pretty, soft hair and lots of it surely get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any druggist or toilet counter, and just try it.

R. E. L. COOKE IS ANXIOUS TO HELP OTHER SUFFERERS

Wilmington Printer Knows the Heralding Power of the Press and Offers Story of What Tanlac Has Done for Him, So Others May Also Gain.

R. E. L. Cooke, of 1409 South Fourth street, printer with the Wilmington Printing Company, realizes the heralding power of the press and, as he says, "that it might reach other suffering people," offers the following story of his experience with Tanlac:

"I suffered from indigestion and a rundown system. My appetite and sleep were not good—why, I suffered for 15 years from indigestion. And, I tried all sorts of medicines, but without gaining relief.

"I learned what Tanlac was doing for others and got it. I have finished my first bottle and am glad to say that my indigestion has been greatly relieved. My appetite is just fine and I can eat any food now without suffering afterward. My sleep is good and I also have gained three pounds in weight.

"I recommend Tanlac to those in need of a good tonic and I give my statement that it might reach other suffering people," he repeated in conclusion.

Genuine Tanlac is sold in Wilmington at the Bellamy Drug Store exclusively. Each town has its Tanlac dealer.—(Adv.)

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practically all the rest of the world. Some officials also think that the last three days have shown the possibility that the German threat to isolate England may be made good. With 21,000 tons today, and 56,600 tons the two previous days, the under-sea boats are reaping at the rate which both German naval critics and the British Manchester Guardian says would render England helpless.

Immediate changes are looked for in England, first as to methods of fighting the undersea boats and second as to safeguarding the country against starvation. Whether better protection will be had by heavier armament of merchant vessels, convoy, provision of sea-lanes or a supreme attempt to root out the German fleet are subjects of interested speculation.

Would Avoid U-Boat Zone

Diversion of all Scandinavian trade from examination at Falmouth or other English ports to Halifax already has been suggested in Scandanavia as possible method by which Danish, Norwegian and Swedish ships could again take to the high seas without having to run through the German zone.

The last word received by the government from Ambassador Gerard was dated Berlin, February 5 at 7 p. m. He is now allowed to communicate here only indirectly through Copenhagen and without code. The state department communicates with him and with the German government through the Spanish foreign office.

REAFFIRMATION NECESSARY TO MAKE TREATIES EFFECTIVE

Washington, Feb. 8.—Ambassador Gerard's refusal to enter into any sort of negotiations with the German foreign office is approved by the State Department as the only possible course for him to pursue in view of his status of a private citien. Any communication from the German government regarding a treaty on any other subject would have to be carried out through the Spanish or Swiss diplomatic representatives in Berlin who are looking after the interests of Americans in Germany.

The basis of the German proposition to reaffirm the old treaties, which among other things provide that in case of war the citiens of either coutry in the other's territory shall have nine months in which to dispose of their property and to leave, is found in the fact that this course was necessary to continue the conventions in existence as a result of the enactment of the seamen's act by Congress several years ago. That act terminated all treaties containing provisions in conflict with the new legislation for the protection of seamen. It was provided, however, that other sections of the treaties not relating to the sailors might be continued in force if the governments were willing. The proposition was made to Germany to continue the treaties of 1799 and 1829 in amended form. There was no response and nothing more had been heard about the matter until news came that Germany now wanted to take the step necessary to keep the treaties alive.

WARNED TO TURN BACK BY U-BOAT

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The British government has taken no precautions to protect steamers leaving this port so far as could be ascertained. The steamers leaving today for the war zone were the Ruahine, for London; Santa Theresa, Queenstown; Largo Law, Southampton; Ascot, Southampton.

Reports that British steamers leaving here during the past few days are to be convoyed by a British warship could not be confirmed.

COAST ARTILLERYMEN WILL GUARD THE VIRGINIA CAPES

Six-Inch and Five-Inch Coast Defense Rifles to be Mounted.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 8.—Six companies of coast artillery, four at Cape Henry and two on Fisherman's Island off Cape Charles, are to be immediately designated by the War Department to guard the entrances to the Chesapeake Bay, according to reports reaching Norfolk tonight. Six-inch coast defense rifles will be mounted on the sand hills at the capes and five-inch guns on Fisherman's Island. Four companies will be sent from Fort Monroe to Cape Henry and two companies, one from Washington and one from Fort Howard, at Baltimore, to Fisherman's Island, according to the report. The guns will have a range of 9,000 yards and will be effective against submarines and unarmored warships.

TESTIMONY GIVEN BY MRS. VISCONTI BRIEF

She is Examined by Rules Committee as to Rumors of "Leak."

Says All Her Information Came From The Young Daughter of W. W. Price, a Newspaper Man—Price Himself Testifies

Washington, Feb. 8.—Another promised sensation in the "leak" inquiry flattened out today with the long-awaited testimony of Mrs. Ruth Thomason Visconti the mysterious informant on whose statements Thomas W. Lawson based some of his most dramatic charges.

Declining to say publicity who told her that Secretary Tumulty and W. W. Price, a White House correspondent, profited by advance information on the peace note, Mrs. Visconti revealed to the investigating committee in confidence that all her information came from remarks of Price's young daughter.

Immediately afterward Price took the stand, reiterated his denial of profiting by information obtained in confidence, and said he had reason to believe the rumor reported by Mrs. Visconti started from chance observations by members of his family that he could have so profited.

A crowd that jammed the committee room to hear Mrs. Visconti did not conceal its disappointment at the brevity of her testimony. The few questions asked her were confined sharply to the rumors of a leak, and after she left the stand it was announced that she would not be recalled.

Tonight congressional interest in the inquiry had lapsed almost to a point of apathy, and there was a definite feeling in the committee that another week probably would see its conclusion. Another hearing will be held in New York Wednesday but whether any sessions will follow the committee's return here has not been disclosed.

Mr. Lawson unexpectedly appeared in the committee room just before Mrs. Visconti took the stand, conferred briefly with her, sat behind her during examination and left the building when she was excused. He said that he came here only because he had promised Mrs. Visconti he would see that she was treated fairly by the committee.

LINER CALIFORNIA SANK IN NINE MINUTES WITH THE LOSS OF 41 LIVES

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in one case a boat with its apportioned load was swamped and sunk, many of the occupants being swept under the ship before the other boats could give help.

Some of the lifeboats in the after part of the ship, were actually in the water when released from the davits, so rapidly did the ship settle by the stern. A considerable number of the crew jumped from their stations into the sea and swam to the boats. It was extremely fortunate that the weather was calm and the sea glassy; otherwise it would probably have been impossible to launch a single boat.

The townspeople (name of port omitted) who crowded the quays carried blankets, clothing and food and were eager to be of some assistance to the survivors when they were brought ashore. Aside from those injured, few of the survivors needed much help, but some were thinly clad and gladly accepted gifts of clothing. Naval and military Red Cross contingents were present to care for the wounded who were moved to the hospitals.

Two Torpedoes Fired

According to the reports received by the American embassy from some of the survivors, there was only one submarine, which, however, fired two torpedoes, one of which missed by a few yards, the other hitting the California squarely on the port quarter. It was the captain from the bridge who discerned suspicious oil bubbles on the surface of the water 300 yards distant. He instantly divined that a submarine was there and ordered the gunner to fire. Before this could be done the ship was torpedoed. The track of the torpedoes and the periscope of the submarine could be seen, but no warning was given.

Captain Henderson and the other officers remained aboard the California until the ship went down. Among the officers missing are Chief Engineer Smith, Engineer Cunningham and the Third Officer Simpson.

Alfred Knox, a cabin passenger on the California, said that for an instant the vessel seemed to be virtually lifted out of the water, but that she soon began to settle by the stern. Mr. Knox went below to distribute life belts among the passengers. When he returned to the deck the stern was almost awash. He climbed into a boat which picked up several persons who had fallen into the water. Three or four bodies were floating about. The explosion, he said, must have killed several persons in the after part of the vessel.

Mother and Child Perished

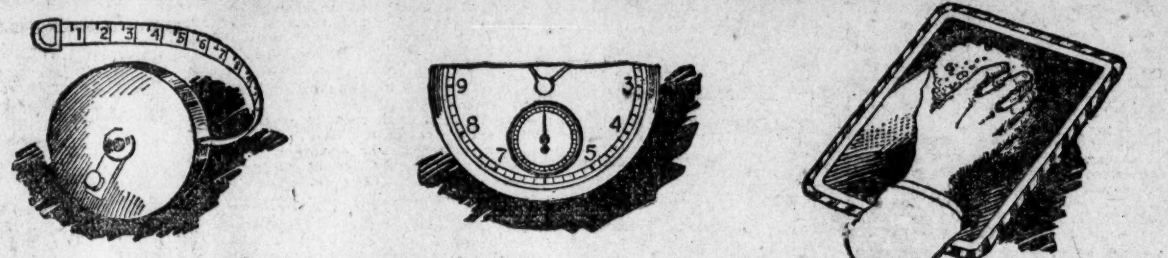
A particularly sad case was that of Mrs. Little, who with four children was traveling to Scotland. She and one of the children were lost. The other children were taken in charge by the Red Cross.

The Exchange Telegraph Company says that it understands that John K. Lee, master-at-arms, of Montgomery, Ala., was the only American on the California.

LEE SECURED PASSPORT BEFORE LEAVING ON SHIP

New York, Feb. 8—John Lee, a quartermaster on the California, the only American on the ship, secured a passport as a citizen shortly before the vessel sailed. According to representatives of the Anchor Line, Lee said he had a "hunch" that the ship might not come back and he provided himself with a passport so that he could return home on some other vessel. Unable to produce documentary evidence of his being born in the United States, passports were issued to him on his own oath, supported by sworn affidavits of two citizens who asserted they had known him for many years and were satisfied that he was born in this country.

Family and Friends Count Most of All



They were a couple of fine old Southerners—you could tell that at a glance. They were talking about tobacco.

"Down South here, we judge a man by his family, don't we? If he is a gentleman, we take his measure in a minute, don't we? And, that's all we want to know, isn't it?"

"Say, friend," one said, "judge this cigarette the same way. He is a SOVEREIGN—that means he has blood and breeding—comes from the finest family—and has heaps and heaps of good friends here in the South.

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That's why everybody likes me—why the men of the South are smoking me by the millions every day. My! it's fine to be so popular—to have so many friends. And, then here's something more to think about:—

I am guaranteed by The American Tobacco Co. —Buy me. If you don't like me return me to your dealer and get your money back. I have said it. A Southern gentleman is known the world over for keeping his word, and I have given you mine.

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FOR THE GENTLEMAN OF THE SOUTH

"King of Them All"

War News Summary

The British in the Somme region of France are keeping up their new offensive against the Germans in their efforts to push forward toward Bapaume. Southeast of Bapaume, along the Bapaume-Peronne road, they have taken the highest point of Sailly-Saillisel hill and captured a considerable number of Germans and one machine gun. Along both sides of the Ancre river west of Bapaume, further progress has been made, including the capture of a trench near Grandcourt, where a gain was made Wednesday.

On the other fronts in France and Belgium the fighting continues by means of artillery and small attacks by raiding parties.

The Teutonic allies in Macedonia have shown activity along the entire front, according to the latest French official communication. This probably means that the intensive fighting of sometime ago will shortly be resumed in this theatre.

On the eastern front comparative calm prevails from the Baltic to the line in Rumania. In the Carpathians, near Kirlibaba, however, Petrograd reports capture of first line Teutonic allied trenches. Rome reports the failure of an Austrian attack against the Italians in the Sugana valley and the smashing by the big guns of the Italians of Austrian batteries in several sectors.

SECRET GERMAN WIRELESS STATION ON BRAZIL COAST

Rio Janeiro, Brazil, Feb. 8.—At the suburban town of Nictheroy on the bay, five miles east of Rio Janeiro, there was discovered today a wireless telegraph station which was established to communicate with German ships which are being detained in the harbor.

DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE

Met at 11 a. m.

Senator McCumber introduced resolution calling on secretary of state for government's view of submarine limitations demanded of Germany.

Passed annual agricultural bill carrying $27,000,000.

Recessed at 6:01 p. m. to 11 a. m. Friday.

HOUSE

Met at 11 a. m.

Passed Cline bill for permanent regulation of Niagara Falls water power.

Considered naval appropriation bill.

Rules committee continued leak inquiry.

Sent legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill to conference.

Adjourned at 5:40 p. m. to 11 a. m. Friday.

WORK TO BE RUSHED O NNEW WAR VESSELS

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both Secretary Baker and Secretary Daniels in their offices. Neither secretary would say what had been discussed, but it is known that both were in a position to assure the commander-in-chief that all possible preliminary steps had been taken to carry out whatever orders he may give if the United States is drawn into the war.

"We are just waiting for the word to go," was the way one official expressed it.

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THEATRICAL

For today and tomorow Jack Amick, manager of the Pennant Winners affirms (and says he is prepared to prove it) that he will present his very greatest bill of all the more than twenty big musical comedy plays which this all-star aggregation carries in their repertoire, "King for a Day"—an excruciatingly funny farce comedy, with Bob "Possum" Jarvis in his usual laughable blackface role.

Baby Norine, the most wonderful child singer on the American stage, will present her very greatest act today and tomorrow, one that will undoubtedly cause a sensation. Baby Norine is possessed of a marvelously strong voice, and the expert manner in which she puts over really difficult song numbers would do credit to a seasoned actress of triple her age. She has been the cue for repeated encores at her every appearance during the week, and will doubtless even eclipse this record for today and tomorrow.

Rita Mares vaudeville's best ragtime fiddler will have the greatest act for today, also, and something that should appeal especially to the ladies is the fact that Miss Mares exhibits some of the latest spring creations in gowns, which will dazzle the eyes of the feminine part of the audience.

Another novel feature of today's bill is a dancing contest by the members of the company, for which Mr. Amick is to award a prize. All new special scenery, and the greatest line of beautiful costumes of the entire week will be seen today, and among the big song numbers will be "A Little Bit of Bad in Every Good Little Girl", "I'm Going Back to California", "Put on Your Slippers", etc.

And tomorrow afternoon the kiddies of Wilmington are going to have the rare opportunity of meeting and shaking hands with wonderful little Baby Norine, for she is going to give a reception to them on the stage right after the matinee, to which every kiddie will be welcome, on the stage. Furthermore Baby Norine is going to present each one with a nice bag of candy so that they will remember her long after she has left Wilmington.

"The Chaperon" at Grand

"The Chaperon" has been filmed; The famous stage hit has been made into a sparkling five act, photoplay by Essanay. It was written by Marion Fairfax and played to throngs on Broadway with Maxine Elliot in the title role. Edna Mayo has been cast in the title role, supported by Eugene O'Brien, and Sidney Ashsworth is the heavy lead. The rest of the cast is well selected, and is today's exceptional offering at the Grand.

The photoplay is constructed on an amusing sequence of situations, most of them embarrassing to the unwilling chaperon, but all above criticism in moral quality. It is a picture for the whole family.

Imagine a runaway countess, young and beautiful, finding herself compelled to chaperon four girls in a summer camp. The entire household is left in her charge by the doting parents, and, naturally, everything goes wrong. The four young ladies become engaged, the cook, butler and chauffeur quit and then the chaperon's first love turns up unexpectedly and further complicates matters.

As though her embarrassing situations would never end, she and the young American wreck their canoe on a little island of the inland lake. But this does not complete the troubles of the chaperon. The count, her husband, tracks her to the summer camp and, rowing out on the lake, finds the two. But all turns out well, however, when the chaperon's wealthy mother comes to the rescue, makes a settlement with the count and leaves her daughter free to marry the American.

Bird Comedians to Be Shown

The wonderful film to be shown by Lyman H. Howe at the Academy matinee and night on next Wednesday of Sir Douglas Mawson's Expedition into the depths of Antarctica furnishes more thrills and genuine laughs than any of the manufactured "thrillers" could possibly hope to imitate. Comedy in rich measure is provided by the birds and animals of which the penguins are the "head liners." As they dive from the rocks they are funny. Then when they try to feed their clamorous young or attempt to cover six eggs, placed under them by mischievous humanity, instead of the normal one, they are funnier. But when they form in cadet like lines to salute a ponderous sea lion they are funniest. The reproduction in its entirety has more real entertainment in it than a hundred photo-plays. These phases of the film combined with breathless adventure and daring exploits make it appeal irresistibly to all ages beyond anything ever shown in motion photography. No conception or comprehension of the uncivilized or uninhabited sections of the earth's surface is possible without seeing this film.

The matinee prices will be 35 cents for lower floor seats, 25 cents for balcony seats and 15 cents for school children to any seat.

Night prices will be 25, 35, and 50 cents. Tickets at Elvington's Front street store Monday.

"Pearl of the Army" Today

"Pearl of the Army" is on at the Bijou today, and it is not even necessary to go into fuller details in order to guarantee capacity crowds there all day today. For never has a serial been shown in Wilmington that started off with such a whirlwind of popularity as did the great new Pathe patriotic serial starring filmdom's most daring serial star, Pearl White, in the greatest role she has ever played on the screen.

The third great chapter is on at the Bijou today, and with the other big features also on the bill, make one of the most attractive offerings in many months for the many thousands of ardent Bijou fans. It is certainly some chapter—this third big chapter, and no one should miss it.

And then comes another big event—one of the very greatest L-Ko comedies that has ever been on the Bijou screen, "The Battle of Lets Go," one of the greatest farces that has ever been screened, starring that great mirth-provoker, Dan Russell, with all-star supporting cast. You have never laughed quite as hard as this will make you laugh. Don't miss it.

Mary Pickford—Scotch Lassie

In her long and brilliant career on the screen Mary Pickford has portrayed characters of a number of different nationalities. In "Less Than the Dust" little Mary appeared as a child of India. It's a long way from the banks of the Ganges to the windblown fields of Scotch heather, but it is a trip that Miss Pickford has taken in the interval between "Less Than the Dust" and "The Pride of the Clan," in which the incomparable little star comes to the Victoria next Monday and Tuesday, her second great Arteraft production.

According to all indications, "The Pride of the Clan" will surpass anything that Miss Pickford has done in the past. Many opportunities are given the bewitching little star for the display of her inimitable mannerisms, and under the supervision of Maurice Tournier various situations of peculiar artistic charm have been secured, in addition to a series of thrilling dramatic climaxes that offer striking contrasts.

One of the most thrilling bits ever screened is offered in the scene showing little "Marget" trapped in the hold of the old fishing schooner with the water rushing in upon her. It was during the staging of this scene that Miss Pickford almost lost her life recently and was rescued by Director Tourneur. Most of the exteriors were taken on the rock shores at Marble Head, Mass., and display many artistic settings of natural beauty as backgrounds to the story, which is a subject of particular heart appeal.

JUDGE ROBERT M. DOUGLAS OF GREENSBORO IS DEAD

Former Associate Justice of State Supreme Court—Grant's Secretary

(Special Star Telegram)

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 8.—Judge Robert Martin Douglas, son of Stephen A. Douglas and for eight years justice of the State Supreme Court, died at his home here today at the age of 68 years. He had been in failing health for several months. The funeral will be from St. Benedict's Catholic church Saturday morning. He is survived by his widow, a daughter of the late Judge R. P. Diel, and three children, Robert Dick Douglas and Martin F. Douglas, attorneys, and Mrs. E. K. Myers, all of the city.

Judge Douglas was graduated from Georgetown University at the head of his class when 18 years old. He immediately came to North Carolina and soon became private secretary to Governor Holden. The next year he was appointed private secretary to President Grant and served in that position during Grant's first term.

Upon General Grant's re-election he appointed Mr. Douglas to the office of marshal for North Carolina, and he filled this position for ten years.

In 1873 he began active practice of law in Greensboro, and had a large practice when he was elected in 1896, as associate justice of the State Supreme Court.

A few years ago he gave to the city a splendid piece of property in south Greensboro, which has been developed into Douglas Park.

In a long and active career, Judge Douglas had built up a large acquaintance. His splendid ancestry and his own ability combined to bring to him honor after honor.

DURHAM MILLIONAIRE LOSES SUIT AGAINST TOBACCO COMPANY

R. H. Wright's Fight Over 'Infringement" of Patent of No Avail

(Special Star Telegram)

Durham, N. C., Feb. 8.—Judge Hollister, of Cincinnati, judge of the United States district court, dismissed the action against the Eight Hour Tobacco Company, foster child of the American Tobacco Company, in which R. H. Wright, wealthy capitalist of Durham, charged infringement on a patent. The trial was held the latter part of January in Cincinnati, and the judge reserved decision until today.

Thomas M. Gorman, private secretary to General Julian S. Carr, received notice of the action by telegram. Mr. Wright charged piracy, inasmuch as he alleged that the Automatic Packing & Labelling Company, of Cincinnati, sold these machines to the tobacco company after having examined his tobacco labelling devices. The president of the Automatic company is likewise buyer of machinery for the American Tobacco Co.

Mr. Wright also alleged that his agents were debarred from factories in which these machines were operated. Mr. Gorman, of Durham, had an interest in the Automatic Labelling Company.

Big New Garage for Fayetteville

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 8.—One of the largest and most up-to-date garage buildings in the State will be erected on Hay street by C. C. McAlister and M. McI. Matthews for the Armfield-Percival Motor Company. Work will begin at once. The building will have a floor space of 17,600 feet and a 55-foot frontage. It will be fireproof and will be equipped with every possible convenience. There will be a rear entrance on Franklin street, doing away with the crossing of the sidewalk by cars on Hay street.

Remarkable Negro is Dead

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 8.—Alfred Robinson, 76 years old, a highly respected negro, who has worked at the Fayetteville Gas Company's plant for 60 years, is dead. Robinson, when 16 years old, helped lay the first pipes into the gas plant here and has been in the employment of the company without a break for six decades, during which period the ownership of the company has changed several times. He missed only two or three days' work in all that time.

Prominent Wayne Farmer Dead

Goldsboro, N. C., Feb. 8.—The death of I. J. Harrell, a wealthy farmer of Wayne county, occurred at his country home near Goldsboro last night, aged 49 years. Deceased is survived by his wife and four children. The funeral under Masonic rites was held from the home this afternoon, conducted by Rev. W. A. Piland, interment being made in Willowdale cemetery, this city.

Died in California

Goldsboro, N. C., Feb. 8.—A telegram received this afternoon by his father, M. Sherman, in this city, announced the death of his son, Phillip Sherman, resident in San Francisco, Calif., which occurred there today suddenly of appoplexy. The remains will be brought to this city for interment.

WIL LNOT INFRINGE ON RIGHTS OF FOREIGNERS

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the part of persons residing in this country who are subjects of foreign states lest their bank deposits or other property should be seized in the event of war between the United States and a foreign nation—the President authorizes the statement that all such fears are entirely unfounded.

"The government of the United States will in no circumstances take advantage of a state of war to take possession of property to which international understandings and the recognized law of the land give it no just claim or title. It will scrupulously respect all private rights alike of its own citizens and of the subjects of foreign states."

MILL COMPANY RE-ORGANIZED

J. B. Duke and Robert Lassiter Interested in Fayetteville Company.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 8.—Robert Lassiter, of Charlotte, one of the most successful mill owners in the South, and a number of associates have acquired interest in the Victory Manufacturing Company, owners of the big Victory cotton mill here, according to an announcement following a re-organization of the company at a directors' meeting in this city. Among Mr. Lassiter's associates in acquiring stock in the company is James B. Duke, of New York.

Though Mr. Duke is not interested to the same extent as some of the others and is not a member of the directorate, his connection with a Fayetteville mill has aroused a good bit of interest here. Mr. Lassiter is one of the directors of the re-orgahized company and vice-president and treasurer. Dr. H. W. Lilly, of this city, continues as president; A. E. Ritch, who has been connected with the Rhodhiss and E. A. Smith cotton manufacturing companies for the past several years, becomes the secretary, located here. The directors are H. W. Lilly, F. S. Clark, W. F. Blount, J. V. McGougan, J. F. Harrison and A. E. Ritch, all of Fayetteville; Robert Lassister, Charlotte; G. O. Hunter, R. E. Reeves and Geo. Waicott, of New York; and C. M. Reeves, Sanford.

Three Held Without Bond

Greenville, N. C., Feb. 8.—After two postponements the preliminary hearing in the matter of the disappearance of Luther Norton, who disappeared from a little shop on the river near Falkland on December 22 last and was found floating in the river not fifty yards from the same said little shop on January 22nd last, was had yesterday. It was an all day case and it was late near night when the justices of the peace who were hearing the case gave their decision, holding Ira Satterfield and two negroes, Zeno Whitehurst and Joshua Dupree, without bond for the next grand jury to pass upon their case.

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TOP O' THE MORNING.

No sound nature ever makes a mock of faith. The sneed is crucial. Bring one who indulges in it to the test, and you will find him crude in thought and coarse in feeling.

—THODORE E. MUNGER.

Maybe those who "feel bad" are about as bad as they feel.

How is it possible for that Dr. D. Urn, of Podunk, to be worth a D. Urn?

Colonel Roosevelt is making a noise as if war is about to be forced upon him.

The peace message leak does not amount to a drop in the bucket under present overwhelming circumstances.

Under the cover of an impenetrable mask of obstinacy, our goat is shut in entirely from surrepticious South Carolinians.

Yes, Mabel, it is easier to arouse the suspicions of some men than it is to arouse their interest in building up their town.

If you are 18 years old take care of yourself, kid, and get in good condition to pass the military examination some of these days.

It's a smart nation that can keep out of war. We have had one on an average of every 25 years since America won her independence.

"All things come to him who waits," but some men who don't care to wait till they get old go ahead and get all the things worth having.

Well, it's just as Mr. Meekly advises. When's a man's wife tells him to mind the baby, he had better mind his wife and do business with the kid.

Don't pin much faith to the patriotism of the man who speaks bitterly of President Wilson during these critical times. He is liable to fail to answer if the President needs him and calls for him.

Well, we are now hammering on an anvil that will ring. We are capitalizing the peculiar resources, adaptabilities, advantages and possibilities of this section of North Carolina. There are plenty of opportunities in them without hunting for others.

Somebody has introduced a bill for a State-wide dog tax law in North Carolina. It is pretty safe to predict that if the present Legislature passes the bill, while it may be "State-wide," it will be punctured by the exemption of many counties from its application.

The Darlington creamery will operate an auto truck along a cream route in sections of Darlington ond Florence counties in order to pick up the cream shipments of the farmers along the route. Nothing succeeds like the success that enterprising men are determined to make.

"The shallows murmur but the depths are dumb," and then again the brooklets babble but the rushing waters run the mill. The poets tell us about laughing waters and raging waters, and waters that murmus and babble and those that are deep and silent, but practical men harness up the flowing waters and convert them into power to make electricity and run machinery. There is potentiality in waters and men on the rush.

A New York authority figures out that the United States can put 18,000,000 men in the field, but what Uncle Sam wants to know is how to keep them in the field. They have to be clothed and fed and have sufficient arms, artillery, ammunition and training. The question is, how many men the government can get on short notice without resorting to conscription. Former President Taft urges Congress to provide for conscription at once, but a great many men will immediately come to the conclusion that they are "to proud to fight" as conscripts. They will go without being forced to fight for their country.

THE GREATNESS OF WOMAN

The world always has had great women and yet there are more great women today than has ever been the case in the world. Men think they have put woman upon a pedestal and they think she is right there, but she isn't. She is only there as men see it in their minds and in a way, but she is on a much higher pedestal—one of her own. In fact, woman occupies a high plane today, and she has always been a great figure in the history of all countries and all ages.

Woman is a heroine none the less than man is a hero. The Nation depends at this time upon its women more than ever in its history. So does North Carolina. America possesses the greatest women in the world, and North Carolina has thousands of just as great women as any portion of America. Uncle Sam recognizes it more than ever, and in that respect our old Uncle is several laps ahead of the average man. Uncle knows and he asking his women to share in the preparedness of the Nation not only for war but on every line imaginable.

Wilmington women have been requested to take a hand in national preparedness, and it is a fact that Wilmington has some of the greatest women we ever saw. They are always ready and when they take hold of any thing they score achievement. This is no mere sentimental idea, for we are judging the women upon their merits. Long ago we abandoned the pot-headed idea that woman is the "weaker vessel," for through she may be formed on more delicate and refined lines than men, it is all a false notion that women are weak. They have all the brain, nerve and knowledge that the lords of creation have, the relative proportion depending entirely upon her opportunities and environments.

We have just read a great movie reproduction of Joan of Arc as interpreted by Geraldine Farrar, the great American actress. They play is a magnificent triumph for Miss Farrar and the producer of Cecil B. de Mille's cinema masterpiece. Miss Farrar is a woman of marvelous genius, and in her interpretation of "Joan the Woman" she has thrilled and astounded New York's millions. The brilliant actress has proved her own greatness, and we quite agree with the Rev. Thomas Gregory, a noted clergyman, who declared in the New York American recently that Miss Farrar's production of Joan of Arc, or rather Joan the Woman, reveals the greatness of woman.

We believe it. Woman has gifts that make us marvel and we have been marveling at it for years—not recently. For that reason we think she is entitled to have every opportunity that fits her for life. Woman knows, and man only knows woman when she is put to the test—just as were the South's great women during the war between the sections. What greater women did the world ever have than our Confederate women? Yes, and their daughters and grand-daughters are great, too. We fully believe in the greatness of woman.

THE FREEZE AS A BLESSING

The Atlanta Constitution looks upon the February freeze as a blessing in several ways, notably in destroying millions of cotton weevils. The freeze extended even to the orange growing section of Florida where the fruit was frozen on the trees. It is said that the freeze was so severe in the boll weevil section of Georgia that it is believed that it was impossible for the pest to have survived in any great numbers.

Likewise germs of all kinds must have met their Waterloo, and we have no doubt that we are to have a much more healthful summer than otherwise would have been the case. It is too much to hope that all mosquitoes and flies were frozen, but it is quite likely that these and other pests suffered from the freezing weather, even more severe in the middle South and Southeast than it was in Eastern North Carolina. The health authorities declare that the freeze was just what we needed after such an open winter as we have had.

Fruit growers report some damage to trees, but they claim that it came in time to check the rapid growth of the buds, especially in the peach growing sections. If it had not been for the freeze, peach trees would have bloomed prematurely. It is predicted now that there will be a big peach crop in Georgia and South Carolina.

DON'T WANT THE SOUTH'S LABOR

City and county authorities at the North have had lots of trouble on their hands during the severe winter. Southern labor, mostly colored, was induced to go north early in the fall, and in certain localities in which they congregated, the labor supply was greater than the demand. That meant no work for large numbers of negroes who left the South under the expectation of getting fancy wages. Many did get work at good wages, but when the weather became fierce many of the colored Southerners simply could not stand it. Others were laid off, and, without employment, their sufferings have been great.

To what extent this was the case we do not know, but we note from Northern newspapers that in some localities the unemployment of labor brought a burden upon local authorities. Mr. Geo. F. Miller, chief statistician of the industrial commission of Ohio, has sent communications to Southern departments and bureaus of labor protesting against the transportation of labor to the North with promises of good wages and inexpensive living. He states that Ohio has that situation to contend with and it has produced a very undesirable state of affairs.

The Ohio statistician states that it has been the practice of unscrupulous private employment agencies to send men north without first obtaining positions for them, with the result that when they arrive they have neither work nor funds. They soon become a public charge. In Ohio, Mr. Miller says, there has been a demand for labor up to this time, but many of the factories are now cutting down their forces. He urges that Southern laborers be notified to be sure first that they have permanent employment waiting for them before they leave for Northern cities. Employment for a month or two, even at good wages, does not make it worth while for labor to go north and then be paid off, with nothing to do for the greater time that they may remain north.

Farmers all over the South report a labor shortage, and they will be only too glad to welcome a return of many of the industrious men who have made a mistake in leaving the South. Some have been fortunate, of course, but the situation in several Northern states is about like that reported from Ohio. The situation in New Jersey is even worse.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Attorney General Manning has ruled in favor of the city of Wilmington in the matter of the payment of expenses for the service of troops during the late street car unpleasantness in that city. He holds that it is the duty of the State to provide military protection in cases of that kind—and giving the matter second thought his contention appears second thought, his contention appears er.

Brother-in-law Bolling is vindicated and the country is glad of it. The source of the "leak" has been traced to the Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun, who appears to be on the payroll of the New York brokerage house whose clients received the dispatch forecasting the President's note. The culprit says he arrived at the interpretation by "induction." Clever fellows, those Washington correspondents.—Richmond Journal.

From Elizabeth City comes the word that Raleigh is a "wide-open" liquor town, that whiskey and beer are to be had by those who have the price to be stung on the high cost of getting drunk. Editor W. O. Saunders of the Elizabeth City Independent, says so in his paper. He says that he bought beer and whiskey in Raleigh in the "wide-open" style, that he got it at a cafe on East Martin street. And further Editor Saunders says that Raleigh is no "blind tiger" place, but that "the blinds have been taken off," in liquor sales. That puts the matter up to the Commissioner of Public Safety and the Police Department. They can find out in a ten-minutes walk where there are cafes on East Martin street. Besides this, they have the opportunity of asking Editor Saunders to make good in his assertions. And we are assured by Chief of Police Koonce that he is going to ask Mr. Saunders to tell what he knows. Of course, Mr. Saunders, if he has any real information about him, will be ready to testify. If he don't, then his story lacks real backing.—Raleigh News and Observer.

An instance of how one good thing is followed by another—of how one industry develops a second—comes from the remote mountain county of Alleghany, which is gaining fame as a cheese-making center. The latest cheese factory established at Sparta is known as Twin Oaks. It appears that a by-product of the cheese factory is whey, an article sought by the manufacturers of pills, the variety of sugar with which pills are coated being made from that product. The Alleghany Star reports that a large sugar refinery in the North has been taking note of the development of the cheese industry in the mountain counties of North Carolina and has opened correspondence with Manager Thomas of the Twin Oaks factory with a view to securing a needed supply of whey. If the supply wanted can be secured, this sugar refinery will locate a $10,000 factory at Sparta, and establish a cash market for the by-product of all the cheese factories in that section. This offer seems to have given fresh impetus to the cheese industry. The Star says: "There are no strings to the proposition. All required is that 10,000 gallons of whey be guaranteed weekly, which eight factories of the present capacity of the Twin Oaks could supply. There will probably be that number in operation in this territory by spring. General Manager Thomas is in correspondence with the parties and is hopeful of securing the plant. Mr. Thomas advises us that the entire output of the Twin Oaks factory has been contracted to one concern. The Star believes at least four additional cheese factories will be in operation in Alleghany county before the end of the year. Although the cheese industry in the mountain section of the State is of comparatively new development, it has already attained considerable proportions and is proving a great wealth-producer for the people interested. With the utilization of the by-products it is destined to become established upon a greatly enlarged scale. The development of the cattle industry goes hand in hand with the cheese factory, and shortly we shall expect North Carolina to become famed in the markets of the country not only for its dairying products, but as one of the greatest centers in the country for the manufacture of cheese. And one point the Observer would impress upon the people is that the counties in which this cheese-making industry is springing up are the counties which have no railroad connection with their own State. The outlet for their products is through Tennessee and Virginia, and this explains the reason why the cheese from Western North Carolina, so much in demand in the home markets, is not to be obtained. It is another reason why the Legislature should be friendly with its aid in the completion of the railroads that have been heading slowly in the direction of these cut-off counties and expedite the work of bringing them in touch with all parts of their own State.—Charlotte Observer.

MR. DAWSON LENNON DEAD

Prominent Citizen of Columbus Dies in Richmond Hospital

(Special Star Correspondence)

Whiteville, N. C., Feb. 8—Mr. Charles Dawson Lennon, one of Columbus county's most prominent farmers, died in a hospital in Richmond, Va., last Sunday following an operation for appendicitis from the effects of which he never rallied. Mr. Lennon was taken to the hospital on Wednesday of last week and an operation was immediately performed in an effort to save his life, but the disease was too far gone in its course for the knife to avail and the end came Sunday.

Mr. Lennon was 38 years old and a man of very great promise. He is survived by his wife, who was a daughter of Hon. and Mrs. J. M. Shipman, and four children. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lennon, also survive, together with several brothers and sisters who are as follows: Messrs. John, Lloyd and Joe Lennon, Misses Sallie and Irene Lennon, all of Western Prong, and Mrs. Frank Collner, of Whiteville. The remains were brought home Tuesday and intered in the cemetery at Western Prong church, of which he was a member, his pastor, Rev. F. T. Wooten, conducting the services.

Guns Shipped to New York

West Point, N. Y., Feb. 8.—All the available six inch sieze guns at West Point were shipped to New York today for use at the forts protecting the city.

What to Do for Eczema

Greasy salves and ointments should not be applied if good clear skin is wanted. From any druggist for 25c or $1.00 for extra large size, get a bottle of zemo. When applied as directed, it effectively removes eczema, quickly stops itching, and heals skin troubles, also sores, burns, wounds and chafing. It penetrates, cleanses and soothes. Zemo is a clean, dependable and inexpensive, penetrating, antiseptic liquid. Try it, as we believe nothing you have ever used is as effective and satisfying.

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That beautiful, even shade of dark, glossy hair can only be had by brewing a mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur. Your hair is your charm. It makes or mars the face. When it fades, turns gray or streaked, just an application or two of Sage and Sulphur enhances its appearance a hundredfold.

Don't bother to prepare the mixture; you can get this famous old recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients for 50 cents a large bottle, all ready for use. It is called Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound. This can always be depended upon to bring back the natural color and lustre of your hair.

Everybody uses "Wyeth's" Sage and Sulphur Compound now because it darkens so naturally and evenly that nobody can tell it has been applied. You simply dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through the hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair has disappeared, and after another application it becomes beautifully dark and appears glossy and lustrous. This ready-to-use preparation is a delightful toilet requisite for those who desire dark hair and a youthful appearance. It is not intended for the cure, mitigation or prevention of disease.

WHITE GOODS SALE

NOW GOING ON

Inspect our offering. We are prepared to offer to you, at prices that speak a saving, a most complete showing of White Goods, Voiles, Lawns, Linens, Long Cloth, Batiste, Dimity Checks, Marquisette, Muslin Underwear, Corset Covers, Gowns, Petticoats, Drawers, Chemises, and Princess Slips.

Long Cloth, 10 yard bolt, regular $1.50 value, white sale price **$1.25**
Long Cloth, 12 yard bolt, regular $2.50 value, white sale price **$1.98**
Long Cloth, 10 yard bolt, and exceptional value, white sale price ..... **98¢**
36-inch Wide Likelinen, a beautiful fine sheer finish, regular 35c value, white sale price per yard ..... **25¢**
36-inch Wide Mercerized Batiste, superior texture, extra fine finish, regular 35c value, white sale price, per yard ..... **23¢**
Yard wide Sheffield Linen, regular 20c value, white sale price per yard... **15¢**
27-inch White, Checked and Striped Dimity, regular 25c value, white sale price per yard ..... **19¢**
Yard wide Dundee Linen, fine white finish, regular 15c value; white sale price per yard ..... **12½¢**
40-inch fine quality Voile, regular 25c value, white sale price per yard..... **18¢**
45-inch Voile (mercerized), regular 35c quality, white sale price per yard... **23¢**
36-inch Oxford Suiting (special value), regular 48c value, white sale price per yard ..... **35¢**
36-inch Oxford Skirting, superior finish—good value at 35c; white sale price, per yard ..... **25¢**
36-inch White Marquisette, regular 36c value, white sale price per yard..... **25¢**
36-inch White Skirting, basket weaves, honey comb weaves, herring bone stripe Gabardine and fancy weaves for wash skirts and suits, regular 25c value, white sale price per yard ..... **19¢**

We will offer specially reduced prices and unusual values on Muslin and Nainsook Underwear. A wide variety showing the perfectly plain or trimmed with lace and embroidery.

Corset Covers, priced during sale ..... 10c to 98c
Drawers priced during sale ..... 25c to 98c
Petticoats priced during sale ..... 39c to 98c
Gowns priced during sale ..... 50c to $1.69
Envelope Chemises priced during sale .. 69c to $1.50
Princess slips priced during sale ..... 69c to $1.75

Special showing of White Waists, assorted styles, made of Lawn, Voiles and Marquisette, priced during sale 75c, 98c, $1.48
White Silk Waists priced during sale $1.25 to $3.98

These prices on Table Linens are extra special:
64-inch Wide, 50c value at 39c
72-inch wide, 65c value at 49c
70-inch Wide, $1.00 value at 89c
72-inch Wide, $1.75 value, at $1.39

We have doilies to match table linens and the regular price on each pattern is reduced during White Goods Sale.

Lace Curtains, a complete assortment, 50c, 98c, $1.48, $1.98, $2.48, $2.98 and up to $6.48.

Splendid showing patterns suitable for all apartments.

We cannot guarantee these prices longer than DURING OUR WHITE GOODS SALE, so if you would profit by these reductions you must come before the sale is over.

Ladies' and Children's White Shoes and Slippers will be shown in our Shoe Department in the new spring styles.

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Many Things of Interest to Friday and Saturday Shoppers

The New Spring Coat Suits

The New Spring Coats : New Spring Hats

Coat Suits, apple green, gold, mustard, navy, black in beautiful spring models; they are priced from ..... **$14 98** to **$25.00**

New Spring Coats, medium weights **$9.48**

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SPECIAL

6-4 Sheeting, unbleached	25c	Apron Ginghams, yard	7c
8-4 Sheeting, unbleached	30c	36-inch Quilt Cloth, yard	6c
9-4 Sheeting, unbleached	35c	36-inch Percale, yard	10c
10-4 Sheeting, unbleached	40c	36-inch Madras Stripes, yd	15c
36-inch Shirting Prints	6c	40-inch Plain Voiles, yard	25c

Dollar Waist

new shipment has arrived and styles are very pretty, only . . . $1.00

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MAKE SWEEPING DENIAL OF DAMAGE ON VESSELS

Rumor That Machinery on German Ships Damaged Not Confirmed

Col. Walker Taylor States That if Machinery Has Been Tampered With, He Has No Knowledge of It.—Crews of Vessels Depleted.

Sweeping denials of the report from Charlotte to the effect that U. S. secret service men had been sent to Wilmington to investigate the reported damage of machinery on the two German vessels in this harbor were made yesterday by both Col. Walker Taylor, collector of customs for this district, and the local representative of the Department of Justice in charge of the enforcement of Federal laws.

According to a news story appearing yesterday morning in the Charlotte Observer, the information on which the report was apparently based was obtained from a Charlotte man who said that he had heard reports to that effect on a trip to Wilmington. So far as is known, the local authorities have not made any inspection of the machinery on the two vessels.

Colonel Taylor, who has charge of the enforcement of neutrality laws here, stated very positively yesterday that his office had not made any report to the government that the machinery on the ships had been damaged and if the machinery had been tampered with, he knew absolutely nothing about it.

A few days ago instructions were received here by the local authorities to arrest any officer or member of the crew attempting to leave the ships. The phrase "attempting to leave" is interpreted here as meaning "attempting to leave permanently", and as no such attempts have been made it has not been necessary to take any action under the orders sent here from Washington. Officers and members of the crew have been allowed to visit the city without interference, and the two inspectors who were recently placed on board have been removed.

As previously stated, since the summer of 1914, when the Kiel and the Nicaria took refuge in this port, a number of the sailors and other members of the crews have taken out their first papers to become citizens of the United States and have secured employment either in Wilmington or other cities.

The officers and crew of the Kiel who are still remaining on the vessel consist of the following:

P. Lempke, captain; John Meyer, 2nd officer; B. F. Hermann, 4th officer; J. Reimers, 1st engineer; C. Buttner, 3rd machinist; E. Wolf, assistant machinist; C. Stangenberg, 1st boatswain; William Zaage, 2nd boatswain; Max Schlicker, cook; B. V. Harling, steward F. Graaf, fireman; C. Mengel, firemen; and E. Jung, former 1st officer, who has been demoted.

The officers and members of the Nicaria's crew have been even further reduced, and there now remain on board that vessel only eight men, including both the officers and crew. They are as follows:

R. Hollasch, captain; C. Manitius, 1st officer; P. H. Knoop, 1st engineer; R. Ferwerger, 2nd engineer; Johannes Huber, cook; Fritz Barkowsky, boatswain; Franz Prange, sailor; and Yarob Wilsleff, steward.

Newspaper men and all others are denied admittance aboard the coast guard cutter Seminole and communication with Captain Haake, master of the cutter, has been impracticable. It is presumed, however, that any report of any examination made aboard the German vessels by the officers of the Seminole would have been reported through one of the Federal offices here. Since neither of these offices has any knowledge of any report that damage has been found to have been done to the machinery of the vessels, the presumption is that there is no foundation in fact for the Charlotte report.

IN THE RECORDER'S COURT

Dave Frederick Gets Three Months for a "Grosser" Offense

Dave Frederick, the negro who is charged with the murder of Ben Frazer last December, was arraigned in the Recorder's court yesterday morning, charged with one of the grosser offenses, and sentenced to three month on the county roads. Annie Jackson, jointly indicted with him for the same offense, was acquitted.

Other cases disposed of were: George McGee, colored, assault with a deadly weapon, nol prossed; Charles Wiley and Jessie McGee, colored, one of the grosser offenses. Wiley pleaded guilty, sentenced to roads for three months Jessie McGee not guilty; Frank Peterson and Bertha Thomas, colored, one of the grosser offenses, case held open and defendants placed in jail in default of $100 bond; R. S. Haddock, white assault on a female, held open until today, defendant went to jail in default of $500 bond; Phoebe Sterling, colored, assault and battery, adjudged malicious, and the prosecutor, Dave Sterling, taxed with costs. Dave failed to answer and capias issued.

LAND SALE AT BURGAW

Mr. O. T. Wallace, of Wilmington, To Sell Carroll Tract at Auction.

Announcement is made elsewhere in today's Star of a land sale to be held Monday morning at 10 o'clock at Burgaw by Mr. O. T. Wallace, of Wilmington. The Carroll tract of 450 acres, located near the station there, has been divided up into lots of from five to 50 acres, which will be sold at public auction. It is well suited for farming. Mr. Wallace states that he will pay the railroad fare of those attending the sale, if they will see him before going.

TO CLOSE CONTRACT

Maj. A. E. Waldron to Arrange for Construction of Tug

Maj. A. E. Waldron, in charge of the Wilmington Engineer District, will leave tonight for Winthrop Harbor, Ill., for the purpose of making the necessar arrangements for closing a contract with the Chas. P. Willard boatbuilding company, to which was recently awarded the contract for building the dredge-tender, "Manteo," which will be used in connection with government improvement work in this district.

EVERY RURAL SCHOOL TO HAVE MODEL ACRE

Prof. Washington Catlett Plans Aggressive Campaign in County

Expert From A. & M. College Will Assist Local Authorities in Making Ready for Teaching of Agriculture and Cooking

Model acres or gardens will probably be cultivated in connection with every rural school in New Hanover county this spring, if Prof. Washington Catlett, county superintendent of schools, has his way.

Professor Catlett declared yesterday to a Star man that agricultural courses, the practical work in which is to be done in the school gardens, will be introduced this spring for boys, and domestic science courses for girls, in as many of the rural schools as possible. It is hoped to introduce these courses in every one of the county schools. As a starter, a domestic science course has already been undertaken in the Winter Park school under the auspices of the Civic League of that place.

Full details of the plan for establishing these vocational courses, which will prepare the boys and girls in New Hanover county to make a living, have not been worked out, but it is practically certain that the "Club System", which has proved so successful in many sections of this State will be one of the important features of the work so far as the practical end of the work is concerned.

In order to make preparation for the inauguration of this important work, Prof. T. E. Browne, of A. & M. College, has written Professor Catlett that he will come to Wilmington on February 23rd and assist the local authorities in any way they may desire towards encouraging the teaching of agriculture in rural schools and the formation of canning clubs and the like. The present laws require that such subjects be taught, Prof. Browne points out, and it is important that they be taught in accordance with the most approved methods in order that results of real value may come from the instruction.

Aside from the great benefit the pupils will themselves derive from practical experiments in the growing of staple crops such as potatoes, corn and vegetables of different varieties, it is believed that the movement will spread to each family in the county, so that there will be more which does not raise its own vegetables this summer.

Urged by Gov. Bickett

The making of every rural school in the State a farm life school was most vigorously urged by Governor T. W. Bickett in his inaugural address a few weeks ago. He declared that there can be no enduring prosperity for the men who till the land until the basic principles of good farming are universally understood and applied, and that it was his purpose to have the State Commissioner of Agriculture and other experts prepare a simple manual of good farming, applicable to North Carolina conditions, and require that it be taught in every country school. Continuing he said:

"As a part of this eternal drilling in the fundamentals of good farming, there should be cultivated a model acre in connection with every rural school. This acre ought to be the blackboard on which should be demonstrated the theories taught in class. I believe that in every district can be found a patriot who would grant or lease for a nominal sum, from one to five acres of land for the use of the public school. On this land could be carried on demonstration work now done by th e monstration work now done by the State and Federal Government, and all the people in the district would benefit thereby. Various ways for cultivating the land could be devised, so that it would not only yield invaluable instruction, but would be a source of substantial revenue to the school. I am convinced that in this way funds could be raised to buy books, maps, musical instruments, and a complete equipment for a modern school.

"If the theories of good farming are correct, they ought to pay handsome dividends on the school farm. If they are theories only, and are not adapted to the actual conditions of farming in the district then it would be worth much to the people to have this made plain. Such a school farm would become not only the agricultural but the social center of the district, and would enrich the entire life of the community.

"And the girls should be trained as faithfully in the science of the kitchen as the boys are in that of the cornfield. How to plan and how to prepare a well balanced meal out of the food that is produced on the average farm, ought to be taught to every girl in every school in the State. To this end the General Assembly should by all means take steps to multiply the number of home demonstration agents in every county in the State. The blessings of the fireless cooker and the iceless refrigerator ought to be brough to the attention of every household, and every woman ought to be given an opportunity to know how to save all surplus fruits and vegetables for winter use, and thereby conserve the family health and the family wealth."

ART PHOTOGRAPHER HERE

Capt. A. O. Clement, of Goldsboro, to Spend Several Days in City.

Capt. A. O. Clement, of Goldsboro, whose studio at that place has taken a number of prizes at exhibitions in this State, arrived in Wilmington yesterday, making the trip in his machine. He will be a guest at The Orton during his stay here, which will extend through next week. Although the Clement Studio at Goldsboro is his headquarters, he includes practically all the eastern section of the State in his territory.

While here Captain Clement will take photographs and portraits in the home, make photographic portraits of old pictures in such a way as to beautify and enlarge them, while his specialty is the enlarging of daguerreotypes of all kinds. He has in his local exhibit many examples of the finest type of art photography, which reflect the highest credit on his work as an artist. One of the most beautiful specimens of his work is an enlarged photograph of a miniature which was painted on ivory more than 100 years ago.

N. C. BAPTISTS PLAN TO RAISE $1,000,000

Matter Was Considered at Meeting of Educational Board

Rev. Dr. John Jeter Hurt, Chairman of Board, Returns From Meeting in Raleigh—Preliminary Details Were Discussed.

Plans for launching a State-wide campaign next year to raise an endowment and equipment fund of $1,000,000 for the Baptist colleges and secondary schools in North Carolina were discussed at a meeting of the Educational Board of the Baptist State Convention in Raleigh this week, according to Rev. Dr. John Jeter Hurt, of this city, chairman of the board, who has returned to Wilmington.

The work of organizing for the proposed campaign, which it is planned to start immediately after the next annual Baptist State Convention next December, was started with the authorization of the appointment of a ways and means committee of five men, of which Dr. Hurt will be chairman, which will make a report at a meeting of the Educational Board at Wrightsville Beach the latter part of June in connection with the Baptist Seaside Assembly. The members of this committee are to be appointed by Dr.Hurt.

One million dollars was recommended to the board as the amount to be raised by a committee composed of five men, of which Mr. C. W. Mitchell, of Aulander, was chairman. This committee went into the matter in some detail and after a discussion lasting for a half day, the Educational Board decided by a unanimous vote to make this the goal to be sought.

In the distribution of this sum it is proposed to give $300,000 to Wake Forest College; $300,000 to Meredith College at Raleigh; $150,000 to Chowan College at Murfreesboro, and the remainder to the different secondary schools of the State of the Baptist denomination.

A committee was appointed, of which Rev. C. L. Greaves, of Lumberton, is chairman, to decide on the number of high schools and academies that are to participate in the endowment fund. The Baptists now have 13 secondary schools in the State but there is a feeling that this number should be reduced to perhaps a half dozen as the State educational system that provided so many good schools that it is not considered wise to undertake the support of such institutions except where they are really needed in order to afford educational advantages to those now without them.

Nothing definite is to be done towards starting the proposed campaign, Dr. Hurt said last night, until after the next Baptist State Convention. At that time the Educational Board is expected to recommend a complete plan for carrying out the undertaking. The proposed campaign was discussed at the last meeting of the convention, but it was decided that it would be better to discuss the matter for a year and leave it to the Educational Board in the meantime to work out the details. It is the idea now to have everything in order to launch the campaign next December.

Representatives of the different Baptist institutions in the State attended the meeting of the Educational Board Monday and a good portion of the day was spent in hearing reports from them.

The members of the board attending the meeting were Dr. John Jeter Hurt, Wilmington, chairman; Mr. J. B. Stroud, Greensboro; N. B. Josey, Scotland Neck; Charles W. Scarboro, Chowan; C. L. Greaves, Lumberton; C. W. Mitchell, Aulander; M. Leslie Davis, Beaufort; Rev. C. H. Durham, Winston-Salem; Rev. J. T. Riddick, Durham; Rev. C. W. Blanchard, Kinston; Dr. Charles E. Brewer, Raleigh; Dr. T. W. O'Kelley, Raleigh; Mr. C. J. Hunter, Raleigh; Dr. R. T. Vann, Raleigh. Representatives of schools were J. G. Carroll, Wingate; J. L. Alderman, Dell School; F. C. Nye, Wintervville school; N. A. Milton, Sugham Institute; J. N. Cheek, Liberty-Piedmont; E. R. Suttle, Mountain View Institute; A. E. Brown, supervisor of mountain schools for Home Mission Board; G. E. Lineberry, Murfreesboro; R. L. Moore, Mars Hill Academy; C. A. Moore, Liberty-Piedmont; J. D. Huggins, Boiling Springs school; J. H. Matthews, Chowan College; Dr. W. L. Poteat, Wake Forest College; J. N. Duncan, Benson; Hight C. Moore, representing Biblical Recorder; W. N. Johnson, secretary of State Mission Board.

TWO MEMBERS OF THE CREW OF SEMINOLE ARE RELEASED

Quartermaster Sergeant and Oiler of German Nationality Lose Positions

It was learned yesterday that two members of the crew of the coast guard cutter Seminole, being of German nationality, have been released, presumably upon orders from Washington. One of the men released has been quartermaster sergeant while the other was an oiler. Both men have taken out their first papers for naturalization, it is understood, one having only three more months time before being able to take out his papers and the other six months.

It is presumed that the authorities are going upon the assumption that in times of emergency, no one but native American or naturalized Americans should be employed on government vessels.

Monthly Report of Treasurer.

Following is the report ofreceipts and disbursements of the Associated Charities for the past month: Receipts —New Hanover county, $200; Mrs. G. G. Thomas, Jr., $1.50; Miss Lucile Murchison, $5; Mrs. H. W. King, $1; a friend, $1:50; cash, $25; Mrs. Virginia G. Empie, $5; Mr. Clayton Giles, $5; Mrs. W. P. Emerson, $5; Mrs. W, $2; Disbursements— Secretary's salary, $33.34; Catherine Kennedy home, $12.-50; groceries, $105.50; rent for those in need, $26.50; cash help, $2; janitor for one month, $1.20; railroad fares, $5.70; telephone, $2.33; wood, $25; gas for office, $3; work done at office, 50 cents; postage, $1.40.

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LOCAL SCOUT TROOPS HELD ANNUAL BANQUET

Rev. J. H. McCracken Was the Orator of the Occasion.

More Than 150 Boys Gathered Around Festive Board in Y. M. C. A. Gymnasium Last Night—President's Message Read.

Standing at attention and with their right hands raised in salute, 163 Boy Scouts repeated with Scout Commissioner Odis B. Hinnant the Boy Scout oath, "On my honor I promise to do my best to do my duty to God and my country; to help others at all times; to keep myself mentally awake, physically strong and morally straight," at the annual banquet of the Wilmington troops of the Boy Scouts of America, in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium last night.

This was the most impressive and dramatic moment of an evening that was replete with good feeding, good fellowship, and the wonderful spirit of this splendid organization of the future en of America. Mr. B. A. Merritt, president of the local scout council, acted as toastmaster, and Rev. J. H. McCracken, pastor of the Fifth Avenue Methodist church, delivered the principal address of the evening.

Music was furnished by the High School orchestra, and their selections of "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Dixie" brought the entire assemblage to its feet cheering and clapping. A committee of ladies served a delicious feast that was enjoyed by all. The annual message of President Livingstone to the Scouts of America was read by Mr. Swift M. Boatwright, and brief speeches were made by Messrs. J. B. Huntington, John J. Blair, Raymond Hunt, J. W. Buck, B. B. Cameron, Dr. G. K. Patterson and Rev. J. E. Reynolds. Addresses of welcome were made by Messrs. B. A. Merritt and C. Walton Johnson, while a number of announcements were made by Mr. Hinnant.

A splendid drill was given by Troop No. 6, under the command of Scoutmaster B. B. Cameron. This drill was so splendidly executed that they were encored, and repeated to much hand clapping. They also gave a fine first aid drill. Signal drills were given by Troop No. 8, under the direction of Scoutmaster John McEachern, and by Troop No. 13, led by Scoutmaster J. E. Reynolds.

In his address, Mr. McCracken spoke on "Flawless Citizenship." He told how all railroads have a flawless schedule that will take them through on time, and described a trip that he had once made over the Rocky Mountains. He likened the work of the powerful locomotives that pulled the train over the mountains on schedule time, to the flawless training for citizenship that the Boy Scouts were using to carry the boys over the Rockies of sin and immorality, and assured the boys that if they followed its teachings that a splendid generation of statesmen and citizens was assured the country.

The address of President Colin H. Livingstone of the Boy Scout organization, was read by Mr. Boatwright and was as follows:

"To the Boy Scouts of America—

"A birthday is like the hill we cross in the hike. From it we can look back to where we started and forward to where we are going.

"Today is the seventh anniversary of the Boy Scout Movement. Seven years ago only a few boys and men in this country knew what boy scouts really were. The name was attractive—business houses were using it as an advertisement. Some good people were calling little boys scouts and dressing them up in uniforms. Those who understood that the Scout Movement was for boys in their teens were having a hard time to protect it.

"On February 8th, 1910, the movement was incorporated under the laws of the District of Columbia. This put the scout membership, tests, uniforms, badges and all insignia and equipment under the control of the members of the organization. Even then it was not possible to know who was a genuine scout and who was not.

"Then the scouts began to multiply. Troops were organized everywhere. The newspapers were full of scout news. Every boy wanted to be a scout. Thousands took the oath and earned their badges.

"The scoutmasters and other scout officials were registered at National headquarters but the scouts were not. The scouts had no certificates of membership. Nobody knew exactly how many active troops or scouts there were.

"So the present membership plan was put into operation. Every scout, during the past three years, has been registered at National headquarters and has had a membership certificate. The records containing his name and rank are filed in fireproof cases in a fireproof building. It is easier for him to obtain proof of his rank as a scout than it is for him to prove his nationality by securing a birth certificate.

"On June 15th, 1916, the Congress of the United States granted a Federal charter to the Boy Scouts of America, which together with existing laws give the Boy Scout complete protection against exploitation for all time to come.

"All this is incidental to the main thing, which is loyalty to the Scout Oath and Law which the doing of a good turn daily by every scout. But it would be just as impossible to spread an idea throughout a big country like ours, without organization, as it would be to tell all the people the daily news without an organization of reporters and editors, type, presses, and railroad trains. If we depended upon passing the scout idea along by word of mouth, it would be a very different idea by the time it reaches you. The idea must be put in definite form, rules and regulations must be made and enforced, every scout must pass the same tests as every other scout. In order to accomplish this, our organization must have authority. We should be thankful that Congress saw the importance of the Boy Scout Movement and gave the scout organization the authority to control it, through duly elected scout officials.

"A tremendous responsibility rests upon every scout. You are scouts not only when in uniform, not only while attending your troop meetings, but 24 hours a day three hundred and sixty-five days a year. Your community judges the whole scout brotherhood by

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Men's Fine Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, was worth 50c in normal times, now worth 65c; sale price Friday and Saturday ..... 38¢

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Men's $1.25 Fast Indigo Blue Overalls, full cut, suspender back, all sizes; special ..... 98¢

CHILDREN'S SCHOOL DRESSES at 59¢

Children's Percale and Gingham Dresses, all sizes from 3 to 12 years; nice assortment of styles; special ..... 59¢

$1.00 MIDDY BLOUSE at 79¢

$1.00 Middy Blouse, small and medium sizes, white or colored collars; Friday and Saturday price ..... 69¢

$5.00 WOOL BLANKETS at $3.95

$5.00 all Wool Blankets, white ground with pink or blue border, big size, per pair $3.95

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Women's Patent Blucher and Button Shoes, only a few pairs of a kind, but all sizes in lot; special price..... $1.69

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. L. M. Parker has left for Whiteville, where she will spend some time visiting friends.

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Miss Matilda Yashill, of St. Helena, has returned to her home after visiting friends here.

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Miss Nellie Childs, of Durham, who spent the past week as a guest of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. John Jeter Hurt, returned home last night.

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The Ladies' Missionary Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church will meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the church parlors.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Smith and little son have left for their home in Harrisonburg, Va., after spending several days here with friends.

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Mrs. Clarence Vaughn, of Petersburg, Va., has returned to her home after spending some time here on a visit to her sister, Mrs. A. J. Lewis.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shepard have returned from their bridal tour through North Carolina and Virginia. Mrs. Shepard was formerly Miss Hazel Winstead.

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Mrs. Preston Cummin, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who has been seriously ill for some time past, has shown little improvement in health. His sister, Mrs. Walker Taylor, is with him.

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Mrs. E. B. Vann, of City Point, Va., who was formerly Miss Thompson, of this city, is spending some time here with her mother, Mrs. T. H. Thompson, No. 318 North Seventh street.

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Miss Ida Hankins, a returned missionary from Korea, will be in charge of the devotional exercises of the Epworth league of Grace Methodist church in the lecture room of the church this evening at 8 o'clock.

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The class in signalling under the auspices of the local chapter of the National Special Aid Society will meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock at Fifth and Market streets. Lieutenant Smith, of the coast guard cutter Seminole, has very kindly offered his services as instructor for this class. There have already been enrolled 30 or more members but others interested are invited to join.

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SPLENDID LOCAL TALENT FOR ROTARY CLUB PLAY HERE.

The cast for the Rotary Club play to be presented at the Academy of Music next week includes some splendid local talent which insures the successful presentation. Rehearsals are being held each night at the Germania club under the supervision of Miss Bidleman, while the big children's chorus meets in the afternoons.

Among the young women who have taken part in this play are Mrs. Frank Ross and Misses Essie Harriss, Florence Taylor, Eleanor Harriss, Stella Lebaux, Annie Banks, Vera Furlong, Mary Louise Stover, Mary Cameron, Mary Post, May Moore Woolridge, Catherine Williams and Misses Bergen, Nelson, Underwood and Price. Among the men are Mr. O. P. Peck, F. W. Gerken, Leslie Hummell, George N. Harriss, George Honnet, George P. Galvin, T. R. Ames and F. E. Little.

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NATIONAL SPECIAL AID SOCIETY TO MAKE CANVASS

Many new members were added to the rolls of the local branch of the National Special Aid Society at the organization's regular business meeting Wednesday afternoon, and plans were made for a thorough canvass of the city. It is planned to have the canvassing committee interview all ladies of the city and offer them the opportunity of taking a share in the work of the organization. The meeting was presided over by Mrs. A. M. Waddell.

At the conclusion of the business meeting, Dr. H. A. Coddington delivered a very instructive and helpful address on the subject of "First Aid to the Injured".

Miss Marie Grainger, chairman of the First Aid Class of the National Special Aid, announced a number of Red Cross first-aid text books at 30 cents each. She also spoke of the classes in signalling and telegraphy which are held in connection with the general work of the society. The society has had many inquiries relative to the amount it costs to become a member and it might be well to state that the membership dues are $1 for those who join the hospital department that is employed in the making bandages and dressing. Fifty and twenty-five cents for any other department, the later dues being based on the member's ability to pay. There is also a non-paying service membership which is composed of those who cannot afford to pay dues, but who are willing to give their time and energies in promotion of the work. The various instruction classes are absolutely free. The society merely asks that those taking the work promise to serve in that special capacity when called upon.

FINE RECORD FOR MONTH

Vital Statistics For January Show Few Mortalities Among People

The vital statistics compiled by the Health Department of Wilmington for January show the temporary birth rate per thousand population to be 25.8 and the temporary death rate to be only 12.5. This is considered to be an excellent record. The white birth rate was 23.0 against a death rate of 14.6.

There were eight more males born than females. The county was 38 males and 32 females. Twenty-two were white males and 16 were colored. Ten white females died as against 12 blacks. Of the total number of deaths ten died under five years of age. Four were white and six colored.

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PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. G. W. Chandler, local manager for Swift & Co., left last night on a business trip to Baltimore, Kansas City and Chicago.

—Among the arrivals at the Wilmington yesterday were: E. C. Wampee, Fayetteville; S. E. Lindsay, Durham; H. E. Gwin, Charlotte; H. L. Lewis, Warsaw; George B. Wilson, Charlotte; H. A. McLaurin, Charlotte; C. W. Justice, Raleigh; M. G. Putman, Ft. Caswell; E. J. Sloan, Wallace; E. A. Farlow, Wallace.

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were: E. C. Phifer, Clarkton, John W. Clark, Clarkton; H. L. Leonard, Kelly; L. Carter, Wallace; N. E. Sproule, Rocky Mount; J. D. Rogers, Raleigh; C. E. Gause, C. M. Rothrock, Winston-Salem; E. F. Elwell, Raleigh; S. B. Rhodes, Raleigh; F. W. Haber, Raleigh; J. C. McDairmid, Fayetteville.

LOCAL DOTS

—Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Moss, of this city, received the sad news yesterday of the death of their relative, Dr. Clarence Owens, of Richmond, Va.

—According to Associated Press dispatches yesterday the Swiss consul at New Orleans has taken over the archives of the German consulate at Atlanta, where there is no Swiss consulate and the business of honorary consuls at Wilmington and other Southern cities.

MR. HUGHES RETURNS FROM MEETING OF SECRETARIES

Gastonia Entertains County Agents and Commercial Secretaries.

Mr. T. W. Hughes, special agent of the Southern Settlement and Development Organization, of Baltimore, who is in Wilmington to arrange for the State-wide livestock conference and exhibition next month, returned to the city yesterday from Gastonia, where he attended the meeting of county agents and commercial secretaries of the State. Mr. Hughes was on the programme for an address and called attention incidentally to the livestock exhibit to be held here.

Gastonia entertained the several hundred visitors in magnificent style, one of the big events being an elaborate banquet served by the ladies of the city.

A movement was started for the organization of a State Chamber of Commerce and a committee was appointed to take up the atter with the bankers of the State. It was decided to have the next meeting of the secretaries in High Point.

A number of prominent speakers were on the programme including Mr. Clement S. Ucker, of Baltimore, vice-president of the Southern Settlement and Development Organization.

QUELCH-FUTCH LAND SUIT TO BE CONTINUED TODAY

Action Involves Title to 40 Acres of Valuable Property at Wrightsboro.

Yesterday's session of Supeiror court was taken up with the reading of the pleadings and examination of a number of witnesses in the case of J. P. Quelch and others against D. K. Futch, a land suit involving title to 40 acres of valuable property at Wrightsboro station.

At the fall term of the Supreme Court in 1916, the non-suit entered in the lower court was set aside and a new trial ordered. In this case the plaintiffs claim title to the property in question under a deed dated May 14, 1889, executed by D. T. Cronly to Jno. B. Quelch.

The plaintiffs are represented by McClammy & Burgwin and Kenan & Wright, while John D. Bellamy & Son, W. P. Gafford, Esq., and ex-Judge E. K. Bryan appear for the defendant.

The principal witness yesterday afternoon was Mr. J. L. Becton, civil engineer, who was employed by the court to make a survey of the property and draw a map showing its boundaries. The examination of witnesses will be continued today.

SHOWS LARGE INCREASE.

Officers and Teachers of First Baptist Sunday School Have Meeting.

A very interesting and profitable meeting of the officers and teachers of the First Baptist Sunday school was held in the Sunday school rooms last night. Thirty-five of these workers were present and many important matters were discussed after which delightful refreshments were served by the primary department ladies, who proved to be most charming hostesses.

Figures illustrating the splendid growth of the school were reported as follows: January attendance, 1,625, showing an increase of 32 1-3 per cent over the same month last year. The total attendance for October through January was 7,499, this being an average of 417 against 313 for the same months last year, making an average increase of 33 per cent. The attendance for May through January was 15,044, an average increase of 32 per cent over the same months for last year.

REV. DR. H. M. WHARTON WILL BE ONE OF SPEAKERS

Lecturer on Popular Subjects Secured For Baptist Seaside Assembly

Rev. Dr. H. M. Wharton, of Baltimore, who is a lecturer on popular subjects and who made several notable addresses at the Baptist Seaside Assembly at Wrightsville Beach last summer, has been secured again for the next assembly, Rev. Dr. John J. Hurt, president of the assembly, announced last night. Dr. Wharton is an eloquent speaker, who has lectured with great success for the past several years, and the management of the assembly feels fortunate in securing him again.

Plans for the assembly this summer are being rapidly completed, and within a short time it is hoped to have the programme made out in its entirety. Several prominent speakers have already been secured while correspondence is being had with others.

Signs As Coach For V. P. I.

Blacksburg, Va., Feb. 8.—Charles A. Bernier has signed a contract to coach all three branches of athletics at Virginia Polytechnic Institute for the coming year. Bernier is a V. P. I. graduate. He has coached all athletic teams of Hampden-Sidney for the past four years and has been a member of the Providence, R. I., baseball club.

CHARITY BALL BIG SUCCESS

Germania Club Was Scene Last Night of Brilliant Social Event For Benefit of the Hospital.

Nearly 300 Wilmington people forgot war and rumors of war for several hours last evening while they attended a brilliant social event at the Germania club for the benefit of the James Walker Memorial Hospital, given under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of that institution. It was the big charity ball, and to say it was a success expresses it in mild terms.

Every dollar paid for tickets will aid the hospital in replenishing the institution's linen supplies; and the ladies who arranged for the event were happy because they had added $275 to the amount in the treasury, which will buy many pieces of linen for the help of the sick.

Music for the dances was furnished by Grainger's orchestra. During the intermissions daintily gowned young women served refreshing punch. Old and young were there and all happy not only because of the delightful social evening of pleasure but also because they had been able to contribute to the comfort of the unfortunate. The presence of the nurses of the hospital in their uniforms was a pleasing feature of the ball.

There were no expenses connected with giving the event as everything was donated including the large and special hall of the club, the beautiful decorations, the services of the skilled musicians, and the faithful work of the ladies in charge of the affair. This committee was headed by Mrs. J. V. Grainger, president of the auxiliary, who was assisted by Mrs. Sol Sternberger, Mrs. Andrew Harriss, Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, Mrs. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., Mrs. J. M. Solky, Mrs. W. G. Hull, Mrs. J. W. Solomon, Mrs. T. E. Cooper and Mrs. I. W. Solomon. They are very grateful to all who contributed to the success of the affair.

NEW HANOVER REPRESENTATIVE MADE STRONG FIGHT FOR BILL

Eloquent Speech Made by Mr. Grant in Support of "Single Standard" Measure.

Representative L. Clayton Grant, of New Hanover, made an eloquent speech in support of the bill to raise the age of consent for women, which was defeated Wednesday in the lower House, according to yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer. Speaking editorially the Raleigh paper says:

"Representative Grant, of New Hanover, made a vigorous fight for the passage through the House of the bill of Senator Scales which would put men on the same moral code on which women are placed by the divorce law. And the clincher has ended the matter for this session."

In the news columns of yesterday appeared the following account of the heated debate of the bill:

"Mr. Dalton's bill sought to raise the age of female responsibility to 18, and to make reduction by males under 16 a misdemeanor and seduction by males over 16 a felony. He, Mr. Grant, of New Hanover, Mr. Collins and others spoke at great length in an effort to prove to their colleagues that the moral welfare of North Carolina demanded the adoption of this measure. Mr. Grant was especially eloquent—even more so than young Carter Dalton, whose measure the bill was. Mr. Dalton spoke purely upon the merits of the bill as a moral issue. Mr. Grant went him one better and said that he could not understand how any moral man could vote again it.

"Mr. Grant's remarks drew expressions from Mr. Grier and Mr. Ray, each of whom were opposed to the measure upon the grounds that it would be unfair to the young men of the State. It, was left for Mr. Ray, he of Macon, to render the quietus, however. This bristly-haired old gentleman, who never loses an opportunity to dissent upon any measure which he deems not to the best interests of the people, administered the knock-out blow. He had spoken against the bill. Mr. Grant's remarks, while giving in the very best of spirit, seemed to impugn his motives. He was hurt. With tears in his eyes he arose to tell his colleagues that he yielded to no man in his devotion to the purity of the young womanhood of North Carolina. He, himself, was the father of a little girl who had not yet attained 18 years. That little girl, he said, had never known the fond caress of a mother's hand. For years he had sought to serve her both as mother and father, and he thought he had done well in each role. Re, with that little girl to protect, was willing to trust the present statute to protect her, and could not see the need for a more drastic measure.

"There were many wet eyes in the hall when Mr. Ray concluded. He spoke from a heart which had poured love into the soul of his own motherless child, and his words had a remarkable effect upon those who heard them. It was generally admitted that his speech was responsible for the bill's defeat."

WRESTLING MATCH TONIGHT; WHO WILL TACKLE FRITZ?

Nasser Named on Bills But Massino Thinks He is the Man.

Wilmington fans will get their regular wrestling offering at Woolvin Hall tonight, but just who is going to do the milling seems to be somewhat uncertain.

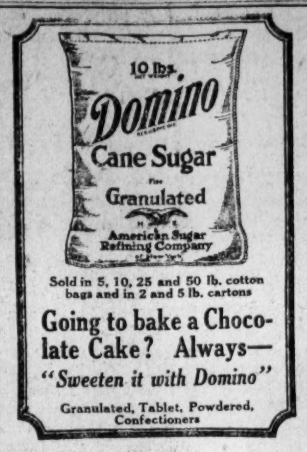
A match has been advertised between Fritz Hanson and Joe Nasser, and these are the two that the local followers of the game have been expecting. Last night, however, along came Toney Massino, the clever Italian middleweight, who wrestled with Con Albright here several weeks ago, and sprung the announcement that he is matched to meet Hanson.

Massino says that it was the understanding that he was to be Fritz' opponent tonight, but when he arrived in the city Wednesday night he found that Nasser was billed as the attraction. Fritz was out of the city, and he could gain no information as to why he was not named on the posters. So far as could be learned last night, Nasser has not as yet arrived in the city.

The match will start promptly at 8:30 and a big crowd is expected to turn out, as a cracking good performance is promised.

MARYLAND STATE COLLEGE ELEVEN TO PLAY A. & M.

College Park, Md., Feb. 8.—The 1917 football schedule of the Maryland State College, is announced here today, includes games with the Virginia Military Institute at Lexington, October 20, and with North Carolina A. & M. November 3 at College Park. The Thanksgiving Day game will be with Johns Hopkins at Baltimore.



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PROPERTY SOLD FOR $25,000

Deed Transferring Abattoir Property to Carolina Packing Company Was Filed Yesterday Afternoon.

Consummating a real estate deal which has been forecasted for some time, a deed transferring the City Abattoir property, including buildings and land aggregating six and two-tenths acres, from J. L. Hopkins & Son Company to the Carolina Packing Company, was filed yesterday afternoon in the office of the register of deeds. Although the exact consideration is not named in the deed, it is understood on good authority that the purchase price was $25,000.

President W. W. Love, of the Packing company, stated last night that the plans for the additional buildings which it is proposed to erect on the site of the old abattoir at Smith's Creek, are expected to reach here in the next two or three days. He added that it is hoped that everything will be in readiness for the letting of the contract for the construction of the packing plant buildings by February 27, and work will start at the earliest possible moment thereafter in order that the plant may be ready for operation by next fall.

Just how much of a boon to the farmers of New Hanover and adjoining counties the establishment of a packing plant here will be can be readily grasped when it is understood that they will have a steady market for all their porkers at the same market prices that are paid at Chicago, where they are now selling on the hoof at from 11 to 12 cents a pound.

Rummage Sale Each Saturday.

The members of Letitia Rebekah Lodge, I. O. O. F., are conducting a rummage sale every Saturday. They are using this means of soliciting old clothes and would appreciate it very much if the Odd Fellows and their families would donate all they can. Anyone who desires to contribute is asked to phone one of the members, who will see that the package is sent for.

—Friends of Mr. Harry Payne will regret to learn that it was necessary for him to undergo an operation for appendicitis at the James Walker Memorial hospital yesterday morning.

TO HAVE CONFERENCE HERE

Baptist Pastors and Lay Leaders of Wilmington Association Meet in Wilmington This Month

Arrangements have been completed for a meeting of the Baptist pastors and lay leaders of the Wilmington association in this city, February 21 and 22, which will be in charge of Rev. W. N. Johnson, secretary of the State Mission Board. The purpose of this conference is to discuss the work at large and to planning for an enlistment campaign in all the churches of the association.

A mass meeting of the Baptists of the city will be held on Wednesday night, February 21, at which the principal address will be made by Secretary Johnson. It is planned to have all the Baptists of the city as far as possible attend this meeting, which will be held for the purpose of arousing interest of missionary activity.

In addition to the Baptists of the city attending the conference here, it is expected that there will be 25 or more Baptist pastors and lay leaders from churches outside of Wilmington. All phases of missionary work will be discussed.

A programme for the meeting will be announced later though it is planned for the most part to make it rather informal. Secretary Johnson has already sent out letters to the pastors calling attention to the importance of the meeting.

Two Good Games Promised Tonight.

Two good games are promised the basketball fans of the city at the Y. M. C. A. tonight, when the undefeated Red Sox tackle the Tigers and the Americans and Athletics hook up. The Red Sox are now leading the league with a perfect percentage. The public is cordially invited to witness these games.

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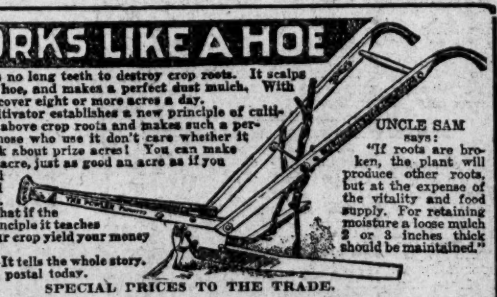
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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON MARKET NERVOUS

Is Comparatively Narrow With the General List Closing 4 Points Lower to 9 Points Higher.

New York, Feb. 8.—Nervousness over international affairs caused irregularity in the comparatively narrow cotton market here today. After selling at 15.70 on the call, May broke to 15.42, but rallied, closing at 15.58, with the general list closing steady, net 4 points lower to 9 points higher.

March opened at an advance of 16 points, but other months were 1 point lower to six points higher, and prices eased off after the call. Washington advices suggesting that so far as yet learned the sinking of the California was not regarded an "overt act" tended to relieve uneasy feeling, but buying was limited and offerings increased later following bearish Washington rumors. The decline carried active old crop positions about 14 to 20 points net lower with March selling at 15.30 and July at 15.51. New crop months were relatively steady selling only 3 to 6 points net lower and when the Washington rumors were denied, the general list turned firmer on covering. Closing prices showed rallies of 15 or 16 points from the lowest. The Census Bureau reported that consumption of cotton fibre in the manufacture of absorbents or medicated cotton amounted to 38,251 bales of 500 pounds for 1916.

	Open	High	Low	Close
March	15.73	15.73	15.30	15.45
May	15.70	15.73	15.42	15.58
July	15.68	15.74	15.51	15.66
Oct.	15.55	15.61	15.40	15.55
Dec.	15.64	15.70	15.57	15.69

Spot cotton, steady; middling 15.55. No sales.

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 17.00; receipts 1,297; sales 1,200; stock 439,309.

Galveston—Middling 16.00; receipts 7,055; sales 1,373; stock 302,243.

Mobile—Receipts 22; stock 12,328.

Savannah—Middling 15.50; receipts 844; stock 181,072.

Charleston—Receipts 18; stock 57,-903.

Wilmington—Receipts 81; stock 51,-773.

Norfolk—Middling 16.00; receipts 1,-414; sales 62; stock 98,914.

Baltimore—Stock 9,780.

Boston—Middling 15.55; receipts 114; exports 100; stock 12,100.

Philadelphia—Middling 15.80; stock 3,774.

New York—Middling 15.55; receipts 32; exports 200; stock 161,842.

Minor Ports—Exports 5,700; stock 54,980.

Total today—Receipts 10,377; exports 6,000; stock 1,395,113.

Total for week—Receipts 88,619; exports 76,262.

Total for season—Receipts 5,645,867; stock 3,824,385.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling 15.65; receipts 1,-583; shipments 4,618; sales 370; stock 170,440.

Memphis—Middling 17.00; receipts 3,-145; shipments 2,403; sales 100; stock 545,833.

Augusta—Middling 16.13; receipts 77; shipments 821; sales 318; stock 125,842.

St. Louis—Receipts 628; shipments 1,373; stock 30,295.

Cincinnati—Receipts 371; shipments 363; stock 23,342.

Little Rock—Middling 17.00; receipts 364; shipments 195; stock 38,156.

Dallas—Middling 15.40; sales 317.

Montgomery—Middling 16.00; sales 6.

Total today—Receipts 6,168; shipments 9,773; stock 734,408.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 8.—Spot cotton firm; good middling 10.63; middling 10.58; low middling 10.35. Sales 8,000 bales; 800 for speculation and export; receipts 16,000 bales.

Futures steady. February 10.10; February and March 10.07; March and April 10.06 April and May 10.01; May and June 10.00; June and July 9.96; July and August 9.92; August and September 9.74; September and October 9.53; October and November 9.41; November and December 9.34; December and January 9.31; January and February 9.29; February and March 9.29.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 8.—After starting a shade higher, cotton seed oil turned easy under scattered liquidation and lack of outside interest, but steadied again in the afternoon on room covering and with the late firmness in lard. Final prices were generally 1 to 3 points lower. Sales 12,300 barrels.

Close firm: Spot 12.60 bid; February 12.60 to 12.70; March 12.59 to 12.65; April 12.20 to 12.26; May and June 12.18 to 12.20; July 12.18 to 12.31; August 12.18 to 12.20; September 12.12 to 12.15.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Feb. 8.—Beeves, no trading.

Calves—Steady; veals 13.00 to 16.00; culls 8.00.

Sheep and Lambs—Steady; prime lambs 15.00

Hogs—No trading.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Early Bulge in Values Later Falls Off. Net Gain of 1 to 14 Points.

New Orleans, Feb. 8.—In the early trading today cotton bulged moderately on reports that considerable quantities of the staple had been lost on vessels sunk since the first of the month but later there was a falling off in values on the unfounded rumor that President Wilson would address Congress this afternoon. Price changes were not wide at any time and the close was steady at a net rise of 1 to 14 points.

Around the opening the market was 8 to 14 points up. From this level the trading months fell 13 to 17 points under yesterday's close on the old crops and a point under on October. In the afternoon the market was quiet and steady and prices did not get very far from the level of yesterday's close.

Cables were better than due, but the trade was not disposed to pay much attention to anything but reports bearing on the foreign relations of this country. Closing bid:

March 15.12; May 15.16; July 15.28; October 15.07; December 15.20.

Spot cotton, nominal and unchanged. Sales on the spot 12.00; to arrive, none; middling 17.19.

FURTHER LOSS IN WHEAT

Increased Apprehension as to the Stoppage of Exports Leads to Fresh Declines.

Chicago, Feb. 8.—Increased apprehension as to a stoppage of exports led to fresh declines today in the value of wheat. The market closed heavy at the same as yesterday's finish to 1¼ lower with May at 1.68¾ to 1.69, and July 1.46 to 1.46¼. Corn wound up a shade to ⅛c higher; oats unchanged to ¼c down, and provisions with gains of 2½ to 40c.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May 1.68¾; July 1.46.
Corn—1.01⅛; July 99½.
Oats—May 54¼; July 53⅜.
Pork—May 28.47; July 28.90.
Lard—May 16.42; July 16.55.
Ribs—May 15.57; July 15.70.
Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2 red, nominal; No. 3 red 1,71½; No. 2 and No. 3 hard, nominal.

Corn—No. 2 yellow 1.01¼ to 1.02¼; No. 3 yellow 98 to 1.00; No. 4 white, nominal.

MARINE.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,288 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.
Str. Kiel (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.
Str. Clothilde Cuneo (Nor.), 680 tons, Juel, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 8.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nominal.
ROSIN—Nominal.
TAR—Nominal.
CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nominal.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nominal; rosin, $5.00, $4.90; tar, $2.00-8½c; crude turpentine, $3.50, $3.50, $2.50.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine .....(—)
Rosin .....(—)
Tar 373
Crude Turpentine .....(—)

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, 132 barrels; crude turpentine (—) barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nominal; same day last year, 11½c.

Receipts—31 bales; same day last year 176 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 77,039 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 145,501 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

February 8, 1917.

Atlantic Coast Line—31 bales cotton; 43 barrels tar.
Seaboard Air Line—180 barrels tar.
Str. Thelma—150 barrels tar.
Total—31 bales cotton; 373 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Purchase price quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 8.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, new, 70c to 80c bushel.
IRISH POTATOES—$2.00 per bu.
CORN—$1.15 to $1.17½ per bu.
BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.
PORK—Small, 10c. to 12c. per pound.
WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22 1-2c; first class wool, 20c. to 35c.; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.
HIDES—Green, salt, 13c. to 20c.
NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 25c.; sides and shoulders, 25c. per lb.; good demand.
BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per pound; good demand.
POULTRY—Turkeys, 20c. to 22½c. on foot; dressed, 25c. to 27½c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c. to 50c.; spring, 20c. to 25c. head.
EGGS—Dull, 32c to 34c.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 8.—North Carolina peanuts, new crop, farmers' stock, fancy hand-picked, $1.15; No. 1, machine, $1.12 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 80c.; fancy hand-picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 65c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.25; Jumbos, $1.20 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 8.—Spanish—Farmers' stock—Market steady, $1.42½ per bu.

Virginias, Farmers' stock—Market steady. Fancy Jumbo, 4¼ to 4½c per lb.; Extra Prime, 3¾ to 4c per lb.; Prime, 3¾c per lb.; Shelling Stock, 3¼ to 3¾c per lb.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

Chicago, Feb. 8.—Hogs, weak, 5 to 10c under yesterday's average; bulk 12.10 to 12.30; light 11.65 to 12.20; mixed 11.80 to 12.35; heavy 11.80 to 12.35; rough 11.80 to 12.00; pigs 9.70 to 10.55.

Cattle—Steady; native beef cattle 7.90 to 12.25; western steers 7.90 to 10.30; stockers 6.10 to 9.35; cows and heifers 5.15 to 10.50; calves 10.25 to 14.50.

Sheep—Strong; wethers 10.50 to 11.75; ewes 8.00 to 11.25; lambs 12.00 to 14.50.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Feb. 8.—Mercantile paper 4 per cent; sterling 60 day bills 4.72; commercial 60 day bills on banks 4.72; commercial 60 day bills 4.71¾; demand 4.75½; cables 4.76 7-16. Bar silver 77¼; Mexican dollars 59⅞. Government bonds irregular; railroad bonds heavy. Time loans firmer; 60 and 90 days and six months 4 to 4¼. Call money firmer; ruling rate 2½.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Feb. 8.—Turpentine dull, 51c; sales none; receipts 27; shipments 16; stock 15,996.

Rosin—Firm; sales 656; receipts 437; shipments 7; stock 78,424. Quote: A B C D E F G, 6.05; H I K M, 6.20; N, 6.45; WG, 6.60; WW, 6.80.

RAILS AGAIN DEPRESSED

Additional Liquidation Also Sends Industrials and Various Specialties Downward.

New York, Feb. 8.—Additional liquidation, especially of rails, was again the chief incident of today's stock market, the downward trend later embracing industrials and various specialties. Dealings were comparatively light, but included a large number of important issues. It was generally believed that no small part of the recent selling represented the closing out of private foreign loans negotiated in this market during the last year or two.

International bonds were again heavy to weak, with net minimums for City of Paris 6's and all the United Kingdom issues, while Anglo-French 5's duplicated their low record. Various domestic bonds suffered moderate recessions. Bond sales, par value, $4,-175,000.

Market leaders were at their best during the intermediate stage, the list then showing a firmer tendency on announcement of the "extra" dividend on Union Pacific. Before the close most favorites lapsed to or near lowest levels, United States Steel being under especial pressure.

Bethlehem Steel, old stock, lost 6 points, with 6 1-2 for the new and a decline of 2 points in the new "rights." Other steel and iron shares yielded 1 to 3 points, likewise motors, petroleums and other issues of a more speculative character.

United States bonds shaded in company with other government issues, registered 4's declining half per cent. and the 3's (1946) 1-4 per cent.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis Chalmers	25½
American Beet Sugar	97
American Can	43¾
American Car & Foundry	62⅝
American Cotton Oil	40
American Locomotive	70
American Smelting	96½
American Sugar	106½
American Tel. & Tel.	124¼
American Tobacco	214½
American Zinc	36
Anaconda Copper	74½
Atchison	101
Atlantic Coast Line	110½
Baldwin Locomotive	55
Baltimore & Ohio	73⅝
Bethlehem Steel	390
Canadian Pacific	151⅝
Central Leather	82
Chesapeake & Ohio	57¾
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	79
Chicago, R. I. & Pac. Ry.	25½
Colorado Fuel & Iron	42⅞
Consolidated Gas	124½
Corn Products	21¼
Crucible Steel	65
Cuba Cane Sugar	38¾
Erie	26⅞
General Electric	162
Great Northern pfd	112½
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	31
Goodrich	55¾
Illinois Central	101¾
Inspiration Copper	53½
Int. Mer. Marine pfd	64¾
International Nickel	42
International Paper	39¼
Kansas City Southern	21½
Kennecott Copper	43
Lehigh Valley	73½
Louisville & Nashville	123
Liggett & Myers	265
Lorillard Co.	220
Maxwell Motors	51⅞
Mexican Petroleum	87½
National Lead	54
New York Central	93¼
N. Y. N. H. & Hartford	40¼
Norfolk & Western	127½
Northern Pacific	102
Pennsylvania	54½
Ray Consolidated Copper	25¼
Reading	89¾
Republic Iron & Steel	74½
Seaboard Air Line	15
Seaboard Air Line pfd	34
Sloss Shef. Steel & Iron	59½
Studebaker Corporation	101½
Southern Pacific	92¾
Southern Railway	27⅞
Southern Railway pfd	63
Tennessee Copper	15
Texas Company	206
Union Pacific	134¾
United Fruit	137⅞
United States Rubber	53½
United States Steel	104⅞
United States Steel pfd	117⅞
Utah Copper	106⅝
Virginia Caro. Chem.	37
Wabash pfd "B"	25⅝
Western Union	94
Westinghouse Electric	51¼
Missouri Pacific w.i.	27⅝

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Feb. 8.—Raw sugar firm; centrifugal 4.89; molasses 4.02; refined steady.

Butter—Steady.
Cheese—Firm.
Coffee—Spot quiet; Rio 7s, 10c; Santos 4s, 10½c.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 8.—Print cloth yarn goods were more active today at lower prices. Yarns were in better demand at lower prices. Jobbers reported a quiet steady trade. Raw silk markets at Yokohama still closed, prices lower. Men's wear lines, withdrawn earlier in the week, have been reinstated.

FARM DEMONSTRATORS ADJOURN

Twenty-Six of Them Have Had Busy Three Days Session at Gastonia

(Special Star Telegram)

Gastonia, N. C., Feb. 8.—Tonight the twenty-six farm demonstrators of the Western district of the State are holding their final session here. They have been busy with livestock demonstrations, poultry demonstrations, round table discussion and addresses for the past three days, and their meeting together has been a highly profitable one in every respect. District Agent Millsaps and a number of men from the agricultural departments have been here lecturing to them on subjects vital to their business.

Grippe Epidemic at Warsaw

Warsaw, N. C., Feb. 8.The epidemic of Grippe that usually strikes the town at this time of year, is making its annual visit, there being cases in every section of the town. There are also a few cases of measles here, but because of quarantine, that disease is not expected to reach the epidemic stage.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

February 9, 1917.

Meteorological data for day ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 46 degrees; at 8 P. M., 56 degrees; maximum, 64 degrees; minimum, 43 degrees; mean, 54 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .01 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday, 6.4 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina: Cloudly and much colder Friday, probably rain or snow east portions; Saturday cloudy, continued cold.

The Port Calendar, Feb. 9, 1917.

Sun rises .....7:03 A. M.
Sun sets .....5:50 P. M.
Day's length .....10 hrs. 47 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	11:19	11:43	6:36	6:59
Southport	9:09	9:24	3:13	3:37
Masonboro Inlet.	8:58	9:13	2:53	3:17

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

February 8, 1917.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P.
Abilene	clear	64	32	.0
Asheville	rain	44	38	.0
Atlanta	rain	46	42	.08
Augusta	rain	54	42	.08
Baltimore	cldy	54	..	.0
Birmingham	cldy	46	42	.14
Boston	clear	46	32	.0
Charleston	rain	66	44	.0
Charlotte	rain	50	40	.02
Chicago	clear	28	28	.22
Galveston	clear	58	48	.22
Jaxville	rain	64	48	.10
Memphis	cldy	56	40	.01
Mobile	rain	60	54	.14
Montgomery	rain	54	46	.04
N. Orleans	cldy	58	54	.0
New York	cldy	48	32	.0
Oklahoma	clear	52	34	.0
Palestine	clear	62	46	.04
Pittsburg	rain	44	34	.0
Raleigh	cldy	54	40	.0
Savannah	rain	64	48	.12
Shreveport	clear	60	44	.01
St. Louis	clear	38	36	.0
Washington	cldy	48	34	.0

20,000 ACRES OF BRUNSWICK LAND FOR RICE CULTIVATION

"The Oaks" Bought by Lincolnton Men for About $1 Per Acre

(Special Star Correspondence)

Southport, N. C., Feb. 8.—A land transaction of larger proportions than usual has just been consummated in this county. The property is that known as The Oaks, in Town Creek township, 20,500 acres owned by I. T. Robbins and Isham D. Harrelson, both substantial and prominent citizens of Brunswick county. The purchasers of this land were R. J. Ramseur, Geo. W. Ramseur and Jno. J. Ramseur, all of Lincolnton, N. C., the consideration being about one dollar per acre.

The new owners intend to cultivate rice, which was grown on part of the acres at one time. There is also some timber on the property. Robt. W. Davis, Esq., of Southport, represented the parties in the transfer.

OPERATION SUCCESSFUL

Mrs. E. L. Edwards, Formerly of Wilmington, Doing Well in Hospital

(Special Star Telegram)

Statesville, N. C., Feb. 8.—Mrs. E. L. Edwards, wife of Dr. E. L. Edwards, Morganton, N. C., formerly Miss Ruth Stolter, of Wilmington, underwent an operation for appendicitis at Dr. Long's Sanitarium at Statesville at 10 o'clock this morning. Dr. Strosnider, of Goldsboro, assisted in the operation. Miss Fannie Stolter, a graduate nurse, sister of Mrs. Edwards, is with her. Mrs. Edwards is doing as well as could be expected tonight.

Favored by Warsaw Club Women

Warsaw, N. C., Feb. 8.—The Warsaw Woman's Club is heartily in favor of the Legislature appropriating a good amount for the aid of the work against tuberculosis in the State. Its members, like those of practically every club in the State, are in sympathy with a movement that will be the means of saving the lives of little children and women.

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DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90 8:20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. Through Sleeping Car between Wilmington and Raleigh. Open to receive passengers, after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, Southbound until 7:00 A. M.	No. 91 1:15 A. M. Daily except Monday.
No. 51 5:30 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:45 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 48 8:00 A. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 49 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 3:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 63 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and intermediate stations.	No. 62 12:30 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

T. C. WHITE, Passenger Traffic Manager.
W. J. CRAIG, General Passenger Agent.
WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1916.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter P'rk	Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsv'le	Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsv'le for Wilmington	Leave Winter P'rk for Wilmington
*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	.....	*6:15 A.M.	*6:26 A.M.
!6:30 A.M.	!6:30 A.M.	x!6:30 A.M.	z!7:05 A.M.	!7:15 A.M.	!7:26 A.M.
*6:50 A.M.	*6:50 A.M.	.....	.....	*7:20 A.M.	*7:31 A.M.
*8:00 A.M.	*8:00 A.M.	.....	*7:40 A.M.	*7:50 A.M.	*8:01 A.M.
*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	.....	*8:30 A.M.	*8:41 A.M.
!8:30 A.M.	!8:30 A.M.	x!8:30 A.M.	z!9:05 A.M.	!9:15 A.M.	!9:26 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	*9:15 A.M.	*9:25 A.M.	*9:36 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	.....	!10:20 A.M.	!10:31 A.M.
!1:00 P.M.	!1:00 P.M.	!1:00 P.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
*1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	x*1:10 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
o1:55 P.M.	o1:55 P.M.	.....	!1:45 P.M.	!1:55 P.M.	12:06 P.M.
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3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	.....	*2:25 P.M.	*2:36 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	o3:00 P.M.	o3:11 P.M.
o4:10 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	o3:50 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
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5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	o5:10 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	x6:40 P.M.	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	z7:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	10:45 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

SPECIAL FOR SUNDAYS

Leave Front and Princess streets every half hour from 2 to 5 P. M.
Leave Beach every half hour from 2:45 o 5:45 P. M.

*—Daily except Sunday. x—Does not run beyond Station No. 3.
!—Sundays only. z—Leaves from Station No. 3.
o—Superceded by half hour schedule Sunday afternoon.

FREIGHT SCHEDULE (DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.)

Leave Ninth and Orange Streets, 3:30 P. M.
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SPECIAL NOTICE—This Table shows the time at which trains may be expected to arrive at and depart from the several stations, but the arrivals and departures are not guaranteed.

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2:20 A.M. Lv.	Wilmington	Ar.	1:15 A.M.
6:15 A.M. Ar.	Goldsboro	Lv.	10:25 P.M.
6:45 A.M. Lv.	Goldsboro	Ar.	9:25 P.M.
7:40 A.M. Ar.	Selma	Lv.	8:33 P.M.
8:52 A.M. Ar.	Raleigh	Lv.	7:25 P.M.

Sleepers will be open to receive passengers after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, southbound, until 7:00 A. M.

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S. S. Cherokee....Friday, February 9th
S. S. Cherokee..Tuesday, February 20
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No 19—5:00 A. M.—Train for Charlotte and Intermediate Points. SLEEPING CAR BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND CHARLOTTE. Open at 10:00 P. M. for Passengers.

ARRIVAL OF TRAINS AT WILMINGTON:

No. 14—12:30 P. M.—Train from Charlotte and Intermediate Points. PULLMAN PARLOR CAR BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND WILMINGTON.

No. 20—12:10 A. M.—Train from Charlotte and Intermediate Points. SLEEPING CAR BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND WILMINGTON. PASSENGERS MAY REMAIN IN SLEEPER UNTIL 7:00 A. M.

For detailed information and reservations, call on City Ticket Agent, Orton Building. 'Phone 178.

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55 NEW LAWYERS ARE TO RECEIVE LICENSE

This Number Out of Class of 80-Odd Successful

None From New Hanover—List Includes Young Men From Cumberland, Duplin, Bladen, Sampson, and Other Eastern Counties

(Special Star Telegram)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 8.—The Supreme Court announces 55 successful applicants for licenses to practice law out of the class of eighty odd that undertook the examinations Monday at the opening of the court. The new lawyers are:

Boone Arledge, Polk county; Fred Lembert, Mitchell; John Davis Canady; Cumberland; Furman Erastus West, Macon; Abb Josiah Blanton, Duplin; James Turner Pritchett, Caldwell; Swain Swift Norman, Halifax; George Washington Tomlinson, Wilson; Robert Powell Holding, Wake; Ralph Rudolph Fisher, Transylvania; John Alexander Stevens, Jr., Sampson; Richard Hardy Taylor, Greene; Thomas Ruffin Wall, Guilford; Walter Thomas Foreman, Stanly; Basil Manly Watkins, Wayne; Basil Manly Boyd, Mecklenburg; Robert Eugene Taylor, Buncombe; Daniel Peter McDuffie, Bladen; Theodore Moore Jenkins, Graham; Joseph Oscar Tally, Cumberland; Nathan Cole, Johnston; Montraville Walker Egerton, Henderson; Alonzo Allen Tarlton, Anson; Fred Strickland Hutchins, Forsythe; Henry Shaw Fenner, Halifax; Earl Clifford James, Surry; William Thomas Kidd, Guilford; Fred Hill Woodard, Swain; Thomas Fred Sanders, Randolph; Joseph Narenzo Jones, Washington, D. C.; Edward Bruton Ware, Rockingham; Kenneth Jones Nixon, Craven; William Graves, Surry; John Robert Golter, Wake; Oscar Franklin Johnson, Wake; Robert Lloyd Brinkley, Wilson; William Lewis Thorpe, Nash; Killary Goode Winslow, Perquimans; Hillary Herbert Crawford, Haywood; Albert Lyle Ramsey, Macon; John Reid Denton, Edgecombe; Isham Rowland Williams, Duplin; James Frank Hackler, Alleghany; Lewis Berry Angel, Macon; Thomas White Ruffin, Franklin; George Shelby Dixon, Beaufort; Glenn S. McBrayer, Wake; Charles Ross Partin, Harnett; Joseph Linwood Hamme, Granville; Avery Gaylor, Washington; Andrew Genett, Macon; Robert Edward Hanna, Chesterfield, South Carolina; Jacob Cansler Patton, Buncombe; Thomas Bouldin McGarge, Jr., Surry.

LOCAL SCOUT TROOPS HELD ANNUAL BANQUET

(Continue From Page Five).

what you do. An oath, a cigarette, an indecent story would injure not only the scout who was guilty of it, but every other scout in the world.

"The future progress of the Movement depends upon you. Every scout who does his good turn makes a good impression upon someone and helps to spread the scout idea. Every parent who sees a scout doing his duty, cheerfully and faithfully, will want his boy to become a scout. Every teacher, who sees a scout in his class working to secure an education and doing all he can to help the school, will want all the other boys in school to become scouts. Every priest, pastor and rabbi who sees a scout true to his religion, will want a troop in his church or tabernacle. A single act by a single scout has often resulted in new troops and scores of new scouts. By next year we should have 300,000 scouts at least.

"For the next five days, during anniversary week, we will all have a big opportunity to make the Scout Movement known throughout the United States. It will be like getting a running start down the further side of the hill in the hike, gathering momentum to help us up the mountain of opportunity which lies just ahead.

Forward! Double time! March!

"COLIN H. LIVINGSTONE,
President of the Boy Scouts of America."

Announcement was made that a prize would be awarded to the best drilled troop at the next annual meeting. Announcements were made relative to the scout camp this summer. Rev. Mr. McCracken was elected to membership in the organization.

This was a meeting that was celebrated simultaneously over the entire country by all scout troops.

Mr. Merritt pointed out in his address that the scout membership in Wilmington had more than doubled during the past year.

AMENDMENT IS REJECTED

House Refuses to Put All Postmasters Under Civil Service

Washington, Feb. 8.—An amendment to put postmasters of all classes under civil service, written into the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill by the Senate, was rejected today by the House and the bill was sent to conference. Democratic Leader Kitchin headed the opposition and the rejection was on a vote of 234 to 45.

CLIP THIS OUT MAY COME HANDY

Tells How to Take Soreness From a Corn and Lift It Right Out.

Hospital records show that every time you cut a corn you invite lockjaw or blood poison, which is needless, says a Cincinnati authority, who tells you that a quarter ounce of a drug called freezone can be obtained at little cost from the drug store but is sufficient to rid one's feet of every hard or soft corn or callus.

You simply apply a few drops of this on a tender, aching corn and the soreness is instantly relieved. Shortly the entire corn can be lifted out, root and all, without pain.

This drug is sticky but dries at once and is claimed to just shrivel up any corn without inflaming or even irritating the surrounding tissue or skin.

If your wife wears high heels she will be glad to know of this.

AMERICAN NEGRO LOST AS STEAMER IS SUNK

Another American Among Survivors of the Turino

President Wilson Gives Instructions That All Facts Regarding Sinking of the Ship be Gathered as Soon as Possible.

London, Feb. 8.—The British steamer Turino has been sunk by a submarine, resulting in the death of an American negro fireman named George Washington, according to a report received today by the American embassy from Queenstown. Calvin Bay, another American from Fillmore, Utah, is among the survivors.

The Turino, of 2,702 tons net, was last reported as sailing from Norfolk January 19 for Liverpool.

PRESIDENT GIVES ORDERS TO GATHER ALL FACTS

Washington, Feb. 8.—When President Wilson was told of the killing of an American negro on the Turino he gave instructions that all facts relating to the case be gathered as quickly as possible. Later it was stated officially that "there is nothing to change the situation," but the understanding was the Turino case had not been taken into account, no official details having been received.

STEAMER TURINO SAILED FROM NEWPORT NEWS JAN. 19

Newport News, Va., Feb. 8—The British steamer Turino reported sunk left here January 19 for Liverpool and London via Norfolk. Furness Withy Company, her agents, were notified this afternoon that the Turino had been sent down. The Turino carried a general cargo when she left Hampton Roads. Her agents express the belief that she was on her return voyage when sunk. Details of the destruction of the steamer are not known here.

The Turino carried 35 per cent. general cargo for the British admiralty and 15 per cent. commercial cargo, according to her agents. Freight charges on th ecargo approximated $150,000. Captain Dickinson, master og the Turino, was on the British steamer Parisiana when that steamer was torpedoed several onths ago.

BILL FOR STATE AUDIT OF COUNTIES' BOOKS PASSES 2ND READING IN SENATE

(Continued from Page One.)

Love—Amend the law regulating the salaries of the Lincoln county officers.

Bailey—Allow an issue of $100,000 bonds in Wilson and to hold an election.

Scott of Fender—Amend the primary law relative to Pender county.

Breece—Amend the law of 1905 relative to the sale of cotton-seed.

Galloway—Provide for increase of fees of township constables.

Kittrell—Provide for the assurance and registration of land titles.

Pharr—Amend section 1097, Revisal, and sub-section 2, relating to protection of railroad crossings.

King—Require road dist' to publish and file itemized state ents.

Grant—Provide for inspection of gasoline and other fluids for heating purposes.

School Bond Fight

Speaker Murphy laid before the House the special order for the day, the Page and the Oates bills under unfavorable report, providing for county election of boards of education. On motion of Doughton the Oates bill was deferred to give right of way to the bill of representative Page, who spoke at length in advocacy of his bill.

He represented the present system by which all boards are appointed by the State Department, except the counties of Buncombe, Mecklenburg, Iredell, Rutherford, Cleveland and Edgecombe, as abortive, and a cause of widespread dissatisfaction. His bill simply provided the machinery whereby through majority petition a county could change to the elective system when the majority of the people so desired. He said he was willing that the Republicans control the county schools if they outvoted the Democrats in the county. Down in his county there were Republicans of character and intelligence. The Democratic party, he insisted, would not suffer by the passage of his bill. He was glad that it had ceased to be fashionable to "terrorize or tyrannize our people".

Ray Has a Memory

Representative Ray wanted no letting up on the Republicans. He remembered having had to sit in the House twenty years ago with a negro sent up from Edgecombe county. Finally he had lost his own county and a Republican Legislature abolished the county boards of education and put the affairs of the schools in the hands of the county commissioners. They would not hear the minority whose voices Minority Leader McCrary harps on so much now.

Representative Beasley advocated the Page bill. The franchise constitutional amendment had emancipated the State from necessity to play small politics. He was willing to go bond for the good conduct of the schools under Republican control where that party is dominent in the county.

He thought the competition in management of the schools would do the Democrats good.

Vote Not Reached

Representative Pearson, of Burke, in advocating the Page bill resented being classed as an "agitator". He predicted hard sledding for the Democrats next election if this county election privilege were withheld from the people this time.

Mr. Cox of Currituck wanted to stand pat on the school issue.

The House at 2:20 recessed to 10 o'clock Friday morning without reaching a vote on the school bill.

NEARLY 1,200 APPLY FOR NATURALIZATION PAPERS

New York, Feb. 8.—Nearly 1,200 more persons applied here today for their first citizenship papers. Most of them were of German or Austrian birth.

To Manage Norfolk Club.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 8.—Arthur Devlin, former third baseman of the New York National League team, has accepted terms to manage the Norvolk, Virginia League, team.

Cold weather aches follow exposure. Soothe and relieve them with Sloan's Liniment, easy to apply, it quickly *penetrates without rubbing.* Cleaner than mussy plasters or ointments, does not stain the skin.

For rheumatic pains, neuralgia, gout, lumbago, sprains, strains, bruises and stiff sore muscles, have Sloan's Liniment handy.

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MEN HOME FROM THE BORDER TO RECEIVE ROYAL WELCOME

Gastonia Company Doesn't Know What is Next Move

(Special Star Telegram).

Gastonia, N. C., Feb. 8.—The citizens of Gastonia will accord Company B, which arrived about midnight last night from the border, a rousing welcome home Saturday afternoon with a banquet at the Armington Hotel. Capt. A. L. Bulwinkle and his men, 77 in all, are in fine condition and apparently glad to be at home again.

Capt. W. A. Kent, of Fort Mill, Okla., is here to muster them out if they are to be mustered out.

So far no definite word has come as to what will be done with them, though there is a belief that they may be given a short furlough or kept intact as a company for the present.

Cornell Not to Row Harvard

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 8.—Cornell will not row Harvard this year owing to the inability of the managements to agree on a date for the annual dual regatta, according to an announcement made here today.

BUSINESS LOCALS

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SPECIAL PRICES FOR FRIDAY AND Saturday only. Sliced bacon 27c; large cans asparagus, 23c; large cans Asparagus Tips 23c; 30c can Salmon 20; Fresh Saur Fraut and Frankfritters today, also Halibut steak and smelts. Full line of groceries at very reasonable prices. Phone 1322, May's Delicatessen, 24 No. Front St. fe9-2t

FOR RENT—MARCH FIRST, SEVEN room apartment; steam heated, at 409 Dock street. Apply C. P. B. Mahler, 23 South 2nd Street. fe9-1t

TODAY—WE WILL HAVE OUR COTtage Cheese made by our butter and cheese expert from University of Ohio. Fresh cream from Pender Test Farm daily, the Prize cream. A. G. Warren Ice Cream Co. fe 9-1t*

WANTED — TWO UNFURNISHED rooms for light housekeeping, at once, by couple without children. Address "Rooms," care Star. fe 9-1t*

AUCTION FARM SALE AT BURGAW in small tracts. The Carroll farm, Monday, February 12th, at 10 A. M. Less than one mile from the depot; each tract regardless of price. The United Realty Co. fe 9-3t

LOST—WHITE MALE BULL DOG, 7 months old. Answers to name of "Fritz". Reward for return to Ethel Coley, 719 Taylor street. fe 9-1t*

BUY THAT SMALL FARM IN PENDER county before the increase comes, and make what you lost by not buying a farm in New Hanover county ten years ago. The enhancement in Pender county has just commenced. Attend the auction sale at Burgaw, N. C., Monday. Free transportation to and from. See O. T. Wallace, United Realty Co. fe 9-3t

TRAVELING SALESMAN WANTED— To sell flour, grain and mill feed in North and South Carolina. Must be hustling young man of ability. Salary to commence, $100.00 per month and expenses. Apply in own handwriting and send references. P. O. Box 728, Richmond, Va. fe 9-fr-su-tu-3t

YES, YOU CAN BUY FROM 10 ACRES up to 50 or more of that good land in Pender county, only one mile from the depot at Burgaw. Sale at 10 A. M. Monday, February 12th. See O. T. Wallace, for a free round trip ticket. He wants you to go as his guest, whether you buy land or not. The United Realty Co. fe 9-3t

HOLSTEIN FRESH COW FOR SALE at reasonable price. A good milker. Theo. Fisher, Seventh and Castle streets. Phone 1291-J. fe 9-1t*

GASOLINE ENGINE WANTED FOR light work. If you have a good engine at a bargain, write me. C. E. Corbett, Currie, N. C. fe 9-1t*

WOOD—PHONE THE COLUMBUS Wood Yard for a good load of split pine at $1.35 per load delivered. Phone 815-W. fe 9-3t*

FOR SALE CHEAP—ONE AUTOMObile roadster in first class condition; new tires, etc. Can be seen 11 Church street, or address "Auto," care Star. fe 9-1t*

FOR SALE—AT $70.00 PER SHARE, 22 shares, capital stock (par value, $100.00) Independent Ice Co. This is a bargain. Investigate it. Address "W", care Star. fe 7-7t

WANTED—TO BUY LETTUCE PLANTS Big Boston. State quantity and price. The Holland Nurseries, Castle Hayne, N. C. fe 7-3t

FANCY DRESSED CHICKENS WITH giblets; fresh lot country butter, very best yet, 35c pound; backbones and spare ribs; very best of beef, veal, pork and lamb; very best New River oysters of season. Phone us or come and see. Batson's Meat Market, 115 Market street. Phone 72. fe 7-tf

HOME FOR SALE—715 NORTH FIFTH avenue; well built nine (9) room house; all modern conveniences; in good repair; lot 66x165. No reasonable offer refused; cheap as an investment. Reason for selling, going in other business. J. M. Woolard. fe 7-7t*

AUTO OWNERS—WHEN COLD WEAther gets your radiator, don't forget that Klander, 8 South Second street, is the man who can give you the best job and the most satisfaction. Out-of-town shipments given prompt attention and fairest treatment. fe 4-tf

FOR SALE—RETAIL GROCER'S BUSIness in Fairmont, N. C., with well established custom. Centrally located on main street. Reason for selling, change in business. Box 146, Fairmont, N. C. fe 6-7t

WILL HOLD OPEN DURING THIS week, the Series Building and Loan stock that had a successful opening last Saturday. Carolina Building & Loan Association, L. W. Moore, secretary, 123 Princess. fe 5-5t

SAW MILLS, ATTENTION!—WE WILL buy slab wood, saw dust, shavings and pine wood. Quote price and quantity, F. O. B. Wilmington. Independetnt Ice Company. de29-tf

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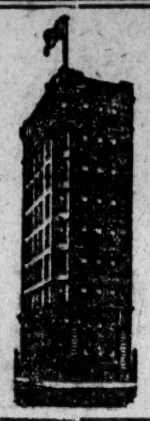

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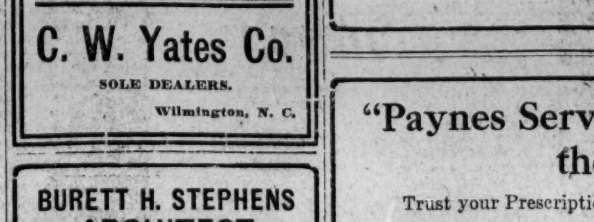

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